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Safety system ignored at Chernobyl

- **The Chernobyl disaster was blamed on staff turning off an emergency cooling system during tests on the nuclear power plant's fourth reactor**
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By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

The Soviet nuclear disaster at Chernobyl in April was branded yesterday as the accident that need not have happened. The verdict comes from experts examining the report prepared by the Soviet Union for a meeting next week of all member governments of the International Atomic Energy Agency in Vienna.

One of the specialists described the report of the catastrophe as "the most frank and comprehensive account possible under the circumstances. But it is frightening to discover the extent to which safety systems had been removed and safety procedures breached for the purpose of conducting an experiment."

Yet an over-riding question remains. British scientists are completely baffled as to why their Soviet counterparts wanted to conduct the experiment that led to disaster.

Apart from the fact that there was no need to try it out at a working nuclear power station, they can see "no reason, purpose or value in the experiment at all".

It will certainly be among the issues raised in Vienna by the British team, which includes advisers to the Department of Energy, Atomic Energy Authority, the Central Electricity Generating Board, and the National Radiological Protection Board.

But the chain of events which ensued also revealed a fundamental flaw in the design of the RBMK type of reactor. The accident happened when the reactor developed a head of steam that caused fuel elements to burst.

A subsequent effect was the release of hydrogen, caused by a chemical reaction between hot zirconium and steam, and followed by the burning for several days of the graphite part of the core.

But it was the steam explosion that triggered the disaster, and is the cause of design changes proposed.

Behind the event lies a peculiar characteristic of this design and known as the positive void coefficient.

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The remedy will be to modify the control rods and to use fuel that is more highly enriched: going from 2 per cent content of uranium-235 to 2.5 per cent. One of the CEGB experts said there should be no difficulty making the change, but it would be expensive.

The flaw would not have been exposed if the scientists at Chernobyl had not conducted their extraordinary experiment. It was a relatively simple idea. The test was to discover if a turbine, temporarily disconnected from the steam supply that was driving it, had enough energy left as it was running down to generate sufficient electricity to keep the auxillary services of the reactor working.

To try the idea, the manager of the plant allowed the power of the reactor to drop and then safety systems to be switched off, an emergency cooling water supply shutdown and control rods removed.

Operators tried to keep the reactor running by manual means instead of using the approproate automatic systems. The deliberate removal of the safety and emergency systems meant there were no normal monitors to show early signs of a dangerous rise in the temperature in the reactor, leading to a runaway explosion.

Then signals from the reactor that would have prompted a shutdown if the automatic systems were in place were ignored.

Moscow lists six nuclear errors

From A Correspondent, Moscow

The Chernobyl nuclear accident had occurred mainly because staff had turned off an emergency cooling system during tests on the station's fourth reactor, Soviet nuclear energy officials said yesterday.

They said the death toll from the April 26 accident in the Ukraine had risen to 31, and more than 200 people were suffering from acute exposure to radiation.

Mr Yuri Izrael, head of the State Committee on Hydrometeorology and Environmental Control, said 135,000 people, including 45,000 children, had been evacuated from areas around Chernobyl.

The officials were speaking at a press conference devoted to a government report on the accident to be presented to the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) in Vienna.

Mr Andronik Petrosyants, head of the State Committee for the Use of Atomic Energy, condemned as "highly irregular" the tests by Chernobyl staff to see how long power could be maintained after switching over to a diesel generator.

"The fourth unit was functioning for almost 12 hours with the (emergency) cooling system turned off, and that is against all regulations," he said.

Mr Valery Legasov, a senior official at the Academy of Sciences, described this error as the most serious of the six that the staff committed.

He said staff let radioactivity levels in the reactor core drop, thus weakening its defences, and let the reactor's capacity fall below levels needed to conduct the tests.

They also overloaded the main circulation pumps and cut automatic blocking devices.

Finally, the staff turned off mechanisms protecting water levels and steam pressure.

These five errors were serious, Mr Legasov said, but the accident could have been contained if only staff had not switched off the emergency cooling system.

Mr Petrosyants said two people were killed in the accident and 29 more died later from exposure to radiation. The previous official death toll was 28.

Mr Leonid Ilyin, vice-president of the Academy of Medical Sciences, said 203 people had radiation sickness, 22 of them very acutely.

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The big one

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The Times Jumbo crossword for the bank holiday

A question of reputation

How much weight should be given to Count Nikolai Tolstoy's allegations against Harold Macmillan?

Portfolio

- **The Times Portfolio Gold daily competition prize of £4,000 was won yesterday by Mrs L.R.Woodbine of London, S.W.8. Details, page 3.**
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- **Tomorrow, £12,000 can be won - £8,000 in the weekly competition and £4,000 in the daily.**

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Lonrho takeover move on Today

By Michael McCarthy

Lonrho, Mr Roland "Tiny" Rowland's international trading company which owns *The Observer*, was believed last night to have gained a controlling interest in *Today*, the daily newspaper launched this year by Mr Eddy Shah.

It is the beginning of the end of Mr Shah's bold attempt to be the mould-breaker of Fleet Street as the first national proprietor to dispense with traditional printing unions and embrace new technology.

Mr Shah, who is on holiday in Europe, will remain as chairman of *Today* for the time being, but sources on the paper indicated that he will review the position when he returns. He has reduced his stake in the troubled publication from 51 per cent to less than 25 per cent to avoid his purchase of a local newspaper group in Warrington, made yesterday, being automatically referred to the Monopolies Commission.

Mr Shah's Messenger Group has taken over the rival Warrington Guardian group of 13 free and paid-for newspapers in a £5.3 million cash deal.

Mr Shah is understood to have disposed of his unwanted shares in News UK, *Today*'s parent company, over the past few days. He had said that it would be "the logical course" to dispose of them to Lonrho, who in June rescued *Today* from the brink of collapse by taking a 36 per cent stake in the newspaper and provided a vital injection of £13.5 million.

Although Mr Shah has avoided the Monopolies Commission, a takeover of *Today* by Lonrho would automatically be referred. It would be the second time Mr Rowland has been subject to such scrutiny, as his takeover of *The Observer* from the US oil company Atlantic Richfield was subject to a long inquiry by the commission in 1981.

Mr Shah, clinched new regional deal.

Lonrho's presence in and influence on *Today* have been increasing since the company appointed its own managing director, Mr Terry Cassidy, to try to get the newspaper out of the increasingly deep financial trouble.

Mr Cassidy is thought to be planning an autumn relaunch. But if Lonrho gained full control a question mark must hang over the future of *Today*'s editor, Mr Brian MacArthur.

Mr Shah clinched his own takeover deal in Warrington yesterday.

He gained the Warrington Guardian group in the face of a rival bid from the northern subisidiary of Reed International.

Last night, Mr Cassidy, managing director of *Today*, refused to confirm or deny that Lonrho now had a controlling stake in the paper. He said: "Mr Shah will be making an announcement about his shareholding tomorrow and I suggest you wait for that."

On top of the world: Ian Botham, recalled to the England Test team, celebrates with a new world wicket-taking record

Botham in record comeback

By John Goodbody
Sports News Correspondent

Ian Botham yesterday produced the cricketing comeback of the year. The Somerset all-rounder, recalled to the England team for the third Test against New Zealand, captured three wickets to set a world record of 357 wickets in Test matches.

Botham, who was banned on May 29 for two months from all international and first-class cricket after admitting he had smoked cannabis, had taken three for 36 when play ended at 142 for four because of rain.

Botham, mercurial and controversial, had Bruce Edgar caught by Graham Gooch with the first ball of his first over to the delight of supporters, who had held up placards outside the Oval before play started to hail Botham's return for his first Test of the summer.

He then trapped Jeff Crowe leg before with the last ball of his second over to overtake the world Test record of Dennis Lillee, the Australian fast bowler, of 355 wickets. Botham's figures then were two wickets for eight runs and he went on to have Jeremy Coney caught by Gooch.

Botham's performance came amidst new controversy with The Sun suing the Test and County Cricket Board because Botham has been banned from writing articles for the newspaper on this winter's tour of Australia.

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'Stockton' editor resigns

By Nicholas Wood
Political Reporter

Mr Harry Phibbs, editor of the Tory student magazine that accused Lord Stockton of being a war criminal, resigned yesterday.

He also apologized unreservedly to Mr Norman Tebbit, the party chairman, and undertook to retrieve and hand over to Central Office as many as possible of the 1,800 copies of *New Agenda* distributed.

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In return, Central Office agreed to drop writs for libel, misrepresentation and breach of contract against Mr Phibbs and Annagh Graphical, of Ilford in Essex, the magazine's printers.

The agreement follows Mr Tebbit's angry denunciation of an interview by Mr Phibbs, published in the quarterly magazine bearing the Conservative Party imprint, in which Count Nikolai Tolstoy, the historian, repeated his allegation that the then Mr Harold Macmillan was responsible in 1945 for sending back 40,000 Cossacks to certain death at the hands of Stalin.

Mr Phibbs, aged 20, said in a statement: "While I stand by my personal position on the substance of the Tolstoy interview, I recognize that it was wrong to include the interview, without permission, in an official party publication

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Tax reforms by Alliance hit the well-to-do

By Nicholas Wood, Political Reporter

The Alliance yesterday donned its hairshirt as it unveiled a radical package of tax and benefits reforms that would hit families earning above £10,000 a year - the bedrock of its predominantly middle class support - to pay for big increases for the unemployed and low earners.

Families with one breadwinner and two children grossing £30,000 a year would be about £1,250 out of pocket a year, though the changes sought in the scheme to tackle poverty would not be implemented all at once.

The poor would gain handsomely with, for instance, jobless couples with two children picking up an extra £700 a year. That would jump to nearly £1,000 a year for the same family with one member earning £7,000 a year.

The plan, the "biggest proposed redistribution to the poor put forward by any party", is set out in an SDP policy paper fleshing out commitments given in the Alliance document *A Partnership for Progress*.

It proposes merging the tax and benefits system, replacing family income supplement and supplementary benefit with a single "basic benefit", abolishing national insurance contributions by employees, scrapping the married man's allowance and introducing separate taxation for married women and a £4.50 a week rise in child benefit, while making it taxable on the income of the caring parent, usually the mother.

Weekly pensions would be raised to £41 for a single person and £63.25 for a couple, topped up by basic benefit of £3.70 or £5.75 and their scope extended to nearly everyone over retirement age.

Yesterday party leaders accepted they are relying on the "altruism of Mr Above Average" to fund the drive against poverty, which, they say, has been carefully constructed to devote cash to those most in need, without adding to public sector borrowing.

Mr Dick Taverne, chairman of the SDP taxation reform and benefits working party, said: "If you want money for such reform to deal with poverty, you have got to start asking for some sacrifice from people who are not that much above the average."

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The SDP also said that its plan to bring the tax and benefits system together, through much greater co-operation between the Inland Revenue and the Department of Health and Social Security, and possibly a merger, would mean fewer bureaucrats and administrative savings.

Under their proposals employed and the unemployed would be entitled to the basic benefit. That would be progressively withdrawn from people in work as their incomes rose.

The party estimates that the extra cost to the Exchequer of £3.2 billion will be covered by the extra taxes on income plus about £500 million from changes in capital transfer tax.

It proposes a personal tax allowance of £2,100 for all to be paid as £799 per head to be set against tax.

High security after jailbreak attempt

By Michael McCarthy

A narrowly foiled escape attempt was the reason for the unprecedented security which surrounded the extradition to Australia on Wednesday night of Mr Robert Cornwell, allegedly the leader of that country's biggest drugs gang.

Mr Cornwell arrived in Australia early today, having made the journey in a Royal Australian Air Force aircraft normally used for transporting VIPs, including the Prime Minister, Mr Bob Hawke.

He had been flown out of Wormwood Scrubs prison in London by helicopter and taken directly to the RAF base at Brize Norton in Oxfordshire, where the RAAF aircraft was waiting for him.

Such measures were considered necessary because Mr Cornwell, said to be a ruthless criminal with unlimited funds at his disposal, had already made one attempt to break out of jail in London while awaiting his extradition hearing.

On the night of May 1-2 he attempted to saw through the bars of his cell at Pentonville prison with a saw that had been smuggled into him. It is understood he had made considerable progress when he was discovered by prison officers.

Mr Cornwell was being held in the remand wing of the prison where security is less strict: remand prisoners are allowed to have food brought in from the outside and to wear their own clothes.

Last night the Home Office confirmed that he had tried to escape. Mr Cornwell has been on the run from Australian police for 10 years.

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Britain resists base rate cut to protect sterling

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

The Bank of England, concerned about the pound's vulnerability on the foreign exchanges, said no to cheaper money yesterday.

There were hopes in the London money market that the Bank would permit an early cut in base rates, now 10 per cent, after the reduction in United States interest rates late on Wednesday.

But the Bank, through its money market dealing operations, signalled that it was not yet ready for a rate cut. And the official caution appeared to be justified by the pound's performance.

Sterling, hit by the gloomy economic forecast from the National Institute for Economic and Social Research, fell by nearly a cent to $1.4955, and by nearly three pfennigs to DM3.0568.

Other central banks also declined to cut their discount rates.

Central bank officials in Tokyo and Bonn indicated that they would be cautious about rate cuts in spite of the continuing rise of the yen and the mark against the dollar.

But lower rates could come in Germany, Japan and Britain next month, in the run-up to the annual meetings of the International Monetary Fund

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Football ban follows police report

By John Goodbody, Sports News Correspondent

Mark Falco, the Tottenham Hotspur forward, has been banned for two matches and fined £1,500 after being reported to the Football Association (FA), in an unprecedented action by the police, for making inflammatory gestures at Aston Villa supporters.

A police inspector even considered arresting Falco to charge him with a criminal offence when he celebrated two goals in Tottenham's 4-2 victory on May 3 by putting three fingers up after the third goal and four fingers after his fourth.

Mr Glen Kirton, an FA official, said: " The Villa supporters reacted by throwing coins and trying to get onto the pitch. It could have been a serious incident and the police were concerned."

The fine on Falco is the biggest ever imposed on a player found guilty of this charge. He has admitted the offence but will appeal against the sentence next Thursday.

- Dave Watson, the England international, was yesterday tranferred to Everton from Norwich City for a fee believed to be £1 million.

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Drivers get breathalysed without fear of arrest

By Thomson Prentice
Science Correspondent

Police are offering motorists the chance to take a breath test without the risk of arrest.

In a experiment which began in London this week, one volunteer in three has been over the legal limit.

The volunteers are likely to be at a safe distance from their cars when tested. A mobile police unit in the St Katharine's Dock complex, near Tower Bridge, yesterday invited lunchtime drinkers to sample the breathalyser.

"Quite a few people have been surprised to find that they failed the test. They thought they were below the limit," Sergeant Dennis Mann said.

"We are trying to help people understand more about how alcohol affects them, and to encourage them to think twice about drinking and driving."

One man who had four pints of beer passed the test, while his companion, who had drunk only half as much, failed.

Police Constable Stuart Fairclough said: "An individual's physical build, weight and general health can account for the different results."

The experiment is being confined to three London boroughs — Tower Hamlets, Hackney and Newham — but may be extended by the Metropolitan Police after its six-week run.

The police team, from the traffic department at Bow, east London, have been offering the tests to lunchtime commuters near underground stations and public houses and restaurants.

There were more than 101,000 convictions related to drinking and driving in Britain in 1984, and over 1,000 people a year are killed as a result of drinking and driving.

Volunteers, whose identities are not sought, are asked to complete a questionnaire on how much they have had to drink in the previous few hours.

They are then offered a pamphlet containing facts about the effects of alcohol on performance, the alcoholic content of different drinks, and the way in which alcohol levels are calculated.

Woman Police Constable Rita Daw said: "We have carried out about 100 tests so far, with about a third of them producing failures.

"Many people seem glad of the chance to see for themselves whether they are over the legal limit for drinking and driving."

Sgt Mann said: "We aren't looking for convictions. We're simply trying to remind people of the risks to themselves and others if they drink and drive."

Quality in an age of change.

Police chief may have his future settled today

By Peter Davenport

The immediate future of Mr John Stalker, the suspended deputy chief constable of Greater Manchester, may be decided today.

Members of the Greater Manchester Police Authority are to meet to consider the report by Mr Colin Sampson, Chief Constable of West Yorkshire, which recommends that Mr Stalker should face disciplinary proceedings on 10 counts.

They have been told that they have three options: to take no action and effectively reinstate Mr Stalker, to discipline him themselves, or to agree to an independent disciplinary tribunal.

Last night there were indications that some influential members of the authority were ready to reject that central recommendation, with some wanting to send Mr Stalker back to work immediately with a stiff rebuke.

Labour councillors, who hold a majority on the authority, may form an alliance with magistrates in the shared belief that Mr Stalker has already suffered enough.

Mr Tony McCardell, Labour chairman of the authority's policy committee, said: "I think there is enough for us to go on in this report to make a decision tomorrow."

Mrs Audrey Walsh, chairman of the magistrates' group on the authority, said she wanted the affair settled at the meeting, with Mr Stalker being sent back to work as quickly as possible.

"I don't believe he has been devious in any way. At the very most he has been a bit naive."

But others on the authority back Mr Sampson in the belief that the only impartial way of resolving the issue to everyone's satisfaction is for it to be aired before an independent tribunal.

There is a growing feeling among some close to the case, however, that any finding which amounts to a verdict of "guilty" against Mr Stalker would make his position as deputy chief constable untenable with such a question mark over his judgement.

Mr Stalker's lawyers have appealed for him to be allowed to address today's meeting to put his case in his own words.

Officials of the authority say that such a move would be a breach of statutory procedures, but members could vote to allow it.

The allegations against Mr Stalker fall into two categories: discreditable conduct in relation to his long friendship with a wealthy Manchester businessman, Mr Kevin Taylor, and disobeying orders in relation to the alleged misuse of police vehicles.

Mr Stalker has always protested his innocence

Ministers want early end to deaths inquiry

By Richard Ford

Government ministers want an early completion of the controversial investigation into allegations that the RUC operated a "shoot-to-kill" policy now that the confidential report on Mr John Stalker, deputy chief constable of Greater Manchester, has been completed by his successor as head of the inquiry.

The Government is anxious that Mr Colin Sampson, Chief Constable of West Yorkshire, should finish the report and, if required, that legal proceedings should be started.

Officials recognize the damage that the controversy over the removal of Mr Stalker from the inquiry has done and accept that it will be difficult, if not impossible, for them to counter the claims that his removal will somehow lessen the authority of the report.

The Director of Public Prosecutions in Northern Ireland, Sir Barry Shaw, has the interim report which was completed before Mr Stalker was removed from the inquiry into six killings in the province. He is considering whether charges should be brought against anyone arising out of the shootings in the autumn of 1982.

RUC officers are pleased that the Mr Sampson's report on Mr Stalker apparently says there was no connection between the claims made in Manchester and Mr Stalker's investigation into the killings in Co Armagh.

Northern Ireland sources see the report as a vindication of their insistence that the government security agencies and the RUC had nothing to do with the removal of Mr Stalker from the inquiry.

While Mr Stalker was conducting his inquiry it was clear in Northern Ireland that some RUC officers were hostile to him and critical of his methods and ability.

He was criticized privately for not understanding the pressure and scale of the terrorist threat facing the RUC and the means by which subversive organizations had to be countered.

The Stalker-Sampson inquiry is into three shootings in which five unarmed terrorists and a nationalist youth died within a matter of weeks in November and December 1982.

RUC officers were cleared of murder in later court cases, but during the hearings it emerged that in two of the shootings officers had lied to conceal details leading to the shootings.

Mr Faezali (right) being consoled by a friend yesterday.

Iranian bomb confirmed

By Nicholas Beeston and Stewart Tendler

Scotland Yard confirmed yesterday that an explosion which killed an Iranian and injured 12 others in a Kensington High Street shop was caused by a bomb, but detectives have not decided whether it was planted or being manufactured.

Mr Reza Fazeli, the shop owner who returned from Paris on Wednesday, said yesterday that the the bomb could only have been intended as an attack by supporters of the Khomeini regime. His shop is a centre for propaganda against the Khomeini regime.

Mr Fazeli was greeted by more than 100 anti-Khomeini mourners, who placed flowers near where his fatally wounded son, a student at North London Polytechnic who was working at the shop, was dragged out of the rubble.

Men and women wept as Mr Fazeli, dressed in black, hugging friends and colleagues, who threw flowers over him as a sign of mourning. Mr Fazeli, a former film actor in Iran who fled to Britain during the revolution seven years ago, said there was no question of retaliating.

Mr Fazeli said that he had become a potential target after the release of his satirical video *The Mullah's Show*, which ridiculed Ayatollah Khomeini. "The penalty for seeing one of these videos in Iran is death."

The Iranian embassy repeated a claim that Bijan had been planning to plant a device in the Iranian consulate near by, but had blown himself up by mistake.

"If a terrorist had wanted to plant a bomb at the shop he would have placed it outside, so why did it go off in the shop's basement."

Yesterday afternoon bomb squad police sealed off Lower Regent Street, after staff at the Iraqi Airways office reported a suspicious package in the post, but it contained no explosives.

Staff in 'threats' walkout

By Richard Ford

More than 2,000 Department of Health and Social Security staff in Northern Ireland stopped work yesterday in support of Roman Catholic and Protestant colleagues who have received threats from paramilitary organizations.

The spontaneous action affected up to twenty DHSS offices as concern grew among Civil Service unions at the increase in telephone threats from people claiming to represent the Provisional IRA and Ulster Freedom Fighters.

Offices in Greater Belfast, Antrim, Newry and Newtownabbey closed for most of the afternoon, while 1,000 staff walked out at DHSS headquarters in Belfast.

A few miles away in Lisburn, Co Antrim, the DHSS office was closed all day after a telephone threat to a Roman Catholic employee on Wednesday.

About 120 staff threatened to stay out until the Ulster Freedom Fighters withdrew a warning to Roman Catholics to leave the office. At a housing executive office near by, staff returned to work after a brief walk-out.

Protestant and Roman Catholic dustmen employed by Lisburn council were refusing to collect rubbish from the nationalist Poleglass Estate, on the outskirts of west Belfast, after drivers were threatened by Roman Catholics wielding hurling sticks.

The Royal Ulster Constabulary was investigating further allegations that Roman Catholics working for the housing executive in Kilkeel, Co Down, had received a telephone threat from the Ulster Volunteer Force.

Despite serious concern at the scale of intimidation, there is a suspicion that some of the threats may be "copycat" activity.

Mr Rhodes Boyson, Minister of State, Northern Ireland Office, said that while the walkout might be playing into the hands of those making the threats, it showed that workers were standing together.

Mr Jim McCusker, general secretary of the Northern Ireland Public Service Alliance, said that it was up to local communities to offer widespread condemnation of the threats.

Strike pay 'went to the Militants'

By Mark Dowd

Strike pay, possibly amounting to several thousand pounds, has been used to line the coffers of Militant organizations, according to leaders of the Civil and Public Services Association (CPSA).

Whitehall's biggest trade union, already the subject of a ballot-rigging inquiry by the Electoral Reform Society, has been plunged into further controversy by reports that its treasurer, Mr John Raywood, has been commissioned to investigate allegations of the misuse of strike funds during the six-month dispute at the DHSS office in Newcastle upon Tyne in 1984-85.

Almost £1 million was allocated by the union's London headquarters for strike pay and a hardship fund during a dispute which wrought havoc with the DHSS computers.

A report presented to the CPSA's national executive on Tuesday by the union's main accountants, Hard Dowdy and Co, said: "We discovered many items which were inaccurately recorded in, or entirely omitted from, the cash book kept at Newcastle".

The union now has an acting general secretary, Mr John Ellis, pending an inquiry into alleged malpractices during the election in July of Mr John Macreadie, a supporter of Militant.

Mr Ellis said yesterday: "These reports are largely true. However, the suggestion that almost £1 million has been siphoned off is nonsense.

"At the moment, we have proof that only £96 has found its way into Militant funds."

The chairman of the CPSA's central office branch in Newcastle, Mr Barry Fuge, said: "I am astonished at these reports. As far as I'm concerned, not a penny of branch funds has been paid to any Militant groups."

Reforming SDP hits hardest at well-off

By Jill Sherman

The Social Democratic Party's proposals, announced yesterday, for tax and social service reforms would strike hardest at high earners but even those on the national average income of £8,890 would stand to lose.

The scheme, designed to help the poor by redistributing Britain's wealth, goes some way to alleviate problems faced by single parent families, pensioners and those on state benefit. But a married man with no children on an average salary will gain nothing. In fact, such a man, earning £150 a week, would lose £5 a week.

Those earning £10,000 a year would lose £257 a year and a couple earning £15,000 stand to lose £432.68 a year. Those in the higher income brackets will lose the most.

A childless couple earning £25,000 a year will get £780 less. A couple with two children and one partner earning £200 a week gains £3.94 a week, and a couple earning £100 a week would gain £12.94.

The losers are mainly penalised by the abolition of the married man's allowance which the SDP estimates will save nearly £5 billion a year. Those savings are reduced to £3.2bn by the affects of integrating national insurance and the new combined £2,100 allowance.

Overall the party estimates the proposals will cost about £500m to implement. The lower paid stand to win from increased child benefit, which will go up to £11.50 from the present £7.

However, the new benefit will be taxable as part of the income of the caring parent. Where there are two earners the increase will be cancelled out.

An unemployed couple with two children will gain £14.05 a week. The party also suggests replacing family credit and income support with a basic benefit eligible for both those in and out of work, withdrawable as income rises. Single adults would get £32 and couples £52 a week.

The current basic supplementary benefit rate is £29.80 for one person and £48.40 for a couple. Those on long term rates, the sick, the disabled and single parents get £37.90 and £60.65 for a couple.

Payments for children at present depend on the age of the child. A family with a child under 10 gets £10.20 while for a child of 16 the payment rises to £18.80.

The report suggests that basic pension rates go up £2.30 for a single pensioner to £41 and up £1.30 for a couple to £63.25. It also proposes a personal element of £3.70 for a single pensioner and £5.75 for a couple, withdrawable against other income.

The present contributions requirement for pensioners would be replaced by a residence test.

The proposals to help the poor have been welcomed by the Child Poverty Action Group and Age Concern, although both feel the party has not gone far enough.

World Chess Championship

Draw regarded as psychological Kasparov 'victory'

By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent

Gary Kasparov, the world chess champion, easily neutralized Karpov's pressure in the ninth game of the World Chess Championship at the Park Lane Hotel, central London, on Wednesday night.

Karpov, playing White, moved quickly at the start of the game with some clear idea of strategy.

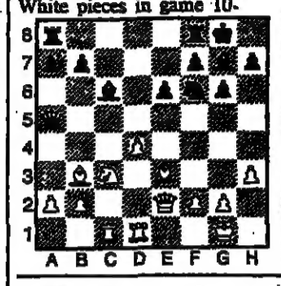
But Kasparov resorted once more to the Grünfeld Defence – a favourite ploy which had brought him simple draws in games one and three, but which led to disaster in game five.

The main improvement for Kasparov's side came on move 7 when the champion captured a pawn. Karpov continued to play quickly and confidently as if this innovation was no surprise to him.

But on move 15 Kasparov produced an excellent move 15...e6, which stopped Karpov dead in his tracks.

Thereafter, White (Karpov) could make no progress at all and had to settle for a sterile pursuit of the Black Queen with his Bishop. A draw was agreed on move 20.

Experts regard this easy half point as a psychological victory for Kasparov, who now plays with the advantageous White pieces in game 10.



Grandmaster Jonathan Speelman, who had predicted a draw early on in the game, said: "Karpov was forced to repeat moves and Kasparov also repeated moves to try and consolidate his game against the time limit."

The score is now Kasparov five points, Karpov four.

The last 12 games will be in Leningrad.

The moves:

White	Black	White	Black
1 d4	Nf6	11 0-0-0	Qa5
2 c4	g6	12 h3	Bf5
3 Nc3	d5	13 Nd4	Bd7
4 Bf4	Bg7	14 Qe2	Nxd4
5 e3	c5	15 exd4	e6
6 dxc5	Qa5	16 Bd2	Qb6
7 Rc1	dxc4	17 Rfd1	Bc6
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10 Bb3	Ne8	20 Ba3	Qa5
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Six grandmasters in bank contest

With 184 players, the Lloyds Bank tournament being held in the Great Eastern Hotel in London is more popular than ever and stronger because it contains six grandmasters and 28 international masters (Harry Golombek writes).

The grandmasters did well in the first round. Chandler beat Ravi, of India, in an effective style. Hjartarson, the winner of the Commonwealth tournament, also won, beating Tilak.

Other results: Afek 0, Agdestein 1; Pavlovic 0, Hodgson 1; Kudrin ½, Ward ½; Depasquale 0, McDonald 1; Watson 1, Hamed 0; Britton 0, de Firmian 1; van der Sterren 1, Emms 0; Muir 0, Erust 1; Hebden 1, NijBoer 0; Lavie 0, Conquest 1; Upton 0, Plaskett 1.

Baker in teacher cash talks

By Lucy Hodges
Education Correspondent

Talks on funding for the £2.9 billion Coventry agreement with teachers' unions are to be held between local authority employers and Mr Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for Education and Science.

The employers have complained that too much was given away at Coventry and nothing was given in return, except for an agreement for talks on a number of issues.

They are hoping to hold a full meeting of all local education authorities in England and Wales after the talks with Mr Baker, the first of their kind since the Coventry agreement was struck.

One observer said: "It is a matter of speculation whether the meeting of all education authorities will be a bloodbath or yet another occasion on which John Pearman (Labour leader of the employers) is carried out of the room in triumph."

The first negotiating session on the detail of the Coventry agreement takes place on September 1, when unions and employers will attempt to reach an interim agreement on the number of days teachers should be required to cover for absent colleagues.

Future talks will be threatened if no agreement is reached. Local authorities, particularly the Inner London Education Authority, are keen for a settlement because of the disruption to lessons.

The Ilea, which is badly affected by the action of militant teachers who have refused to provide any cover, does not want to be forced to penalize teachers for refusing to do so, in spite of legal opinion from Mr James Goudie, QC, that it should.

Scottish school hit by strike

About 200 pupils were sent home or had their lessons disrupted yesterday when their school became the first in Scotland this term to be affected by a teachers' strike.

Two teachers at Dalziel High School, Motherwell, Strathclyde, walked out after a threat to stop their pay for refusing to take the classes of absent colleagues.

The teachers, both members of the Educational Institute of Scotland, were following union guidelines that they should not take classes of absent colleagues for more than three days.

"We want Strathclyde Regional Council to appoint temporary teachers for three days of an absence," Mr Norman Bissell, the union's Strathclyde convenor, said.

"More schools in other parts of the region will now be hit unless the education authority sees commonsense on this issue of absent cover."

Dr Malcolm Green, chairman of the local education authority committee, said that it was not always possible to supply temporary teachers because of a lack of resources.

He appealed to the unions to accept a compromise that cover be provided for the fourth day of illness.

Remand on secretary sex charge

Joseph Hanson was remanded in custody for a week by Ealing magistrates yesterday accused of procuring the secretary Miss Sarah Lambert and of obtaining cash or services by deception.

Mr Hanson, aged 41, of Garratt Lane, Earlsfield, south-west London, is charged with procuring Miss Lambert to have unlawful sexual intercourse with him by falsely pretending that he was Robert Simmonds, the managing director of a property developing company offering employment to Sarah Lambert at a salary of £12,000, with £1,500 clothing allowance plus a company car, contrary to Section Three of the Sexual Offences Act.

Three of the deception charges allege that he obtained £352.07 from Miss Lambert by claiming he was Simmonds, that he would employ her as a personal assistant for a *bona fide* firm and that she would be reimbursed.

He is also alleged to have dishonestly obtained by deception a chauffeur-driven Daimler and hotel accommodation.

DHSS swoop at sea resort

A five-week investigation of benefit claims in the Cornish seaside resort of Newquay, has found 173 false claiments.

Mr Colin Watson, the manager of the DHSS office in St Austell, said yesterday: "As a result of stopping benefit payments to some people, we estimate that we will save about £187,000."

Driver cleared

Anthony Neal, aged 33, of Erin Close, Elstree Hill, Bromley, a former News International driver, was cleared at Thames magistrates court yesterday of slashing the tyre of one of the firm's lorries.

Woman freed

An Irish woman held for 36 hours by Bristol police under the Prevention of Terrorism Act was reunited with her boyfriend on board the Danish ship Kraka last night after being released.

Stepping out

The London Festival Ballet is to present the premiere of *The Nutcracker* by Peter Schaufuss, its artistic director, as the finale to a seven-week provincial tour in the autumn.

Garden plants

Illustrations of garden plants carried on page 2 of *The Times* yesterday were taken from *The Vanishing Garden* by Christopher Brickell and Fay Sharman, published by John Murray at £15.

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Protesters claim legal loophole

Protesters at a proposed nuclear-waste dump at Fulbeck airfield, Lincolnshire, believe they have discovered a legal loophole which could halt the plans.

The pressure group, Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire Against Nuclear Dumping, says that legal precedent set in the Critchell Down case thirty years ago means that local farmers must be given the chance to buy the land if the owner, the Ministry of Defence, chooses to change its use.

Nirex, the Government nuclear-waste agency, does not have the power for compulsory purchase of the land. Therefore, if the farmers chose to buy the airfield they could block proposals for a nuclear plant, they believe.

Nirex is to send a delegation to Fulbeck next week to discuss the legal question.

The 600-acre site was compulsorily-purchased by the ministry from local farmers in 1942 for use as a wartime airfield.

Under the terms of the agreement, before any change of use can take place the ministry has to offer the land back to either the original owners or the dependents.

Mr Douglas Hogg, Conservative MP for Grantham, has already approached Mr John Biffen, the Leader of the House of Commons, asking for his comments.

The protesters have barred engineers from the airfield so far this week to prevent £3.2 million tests on the site.

But Miss Susan Gitting, of Nirex, said the question of whether Nirex can actually use the land for a dump would be relevant only if it was the chosen site from a shortlist of four.

Fleming awaits decision

Mr John Robert Fleming was last night in a Miami detention centre waiting for immigration authorities to decide if he will be sent to England.

He is wanted for questioning by British authorities in connection with the £26 million Brinks Mat gold bullion robbery in 1983.

Mr Fleming arrived in Miami on Wednesday from Costa Rica and was detained by immigration agents who ruled he would not be allowed into the United States.

An immigration department spokesman said he would be brought before an immigration judge within the next three days.

On the flight from Costa Rica, Mr Fleming said he feared the United States and British officials were intending to send him back to Britain.

"I really don't want to go to England at the moment", he said. Mr Fleming mentioned several countries including Panama, Morocco, Malta and Algeria as places he believes he could live without fear of extradition to Britain.

Maxwell's Chinese newspaper

By Robin Young

Mr Robert Maxwell yesterday announced the latest addition to his Mirror Group Newspapers.

From September 1 he will be publishing the European edition of *China Daily*, the only national English language newspaper produced in the republic.

The paper has a daily circulation of 100,000, selling to English-speaking tourists and business visitors.

Mr Maxwell proposed that MGN should help to produce a European edition when visiting China last year, and yesterday Mr Peter Jay, his chief-of-staff, announced details of the deal.

Some 6,000 copies will be printed in London each day, and distributed throughout Europe. In Britain, 3,000 copies will be on sale at 80p.

Mr Chen Li, the deputy editor-in-chief, said that the newspaper received a grant from the Chinese government, but was "working hard to break even and make a profit". It was editorially independent.

Mr Peter Watson (left) and Mr Chris Dixon, both aged 23, co-ordinators of Life Ride UK, taking refreshment after arriving in London yesterday at the end of their 2,000-mile cycle around the country to raise £50,000 for Intermediate Technology. A final fun ride will be held at Clapham Common on Monday morning.

Joyrider sentenced to driving lessons

By Frances Gibb
Legal Affairs Correspondent

A teenage joyrider who led police on a 15-mile high speed chase, mounting pavements and narrowly avoiding collisions, was sent to a probation hostel yesterday after magistrates heard he would be taught to drive.

Andrew Witts, aged 19, was put on probation for two years with a minimum of six months' residence at a careers project hostel in Bristol.

There he will be encouraged to use money earned under the government-sponsored job training scheme for probationers to pay for driving lessons, the court was told.

Mr John Holmes, his solicitor, said: "I would appeal to you not to disqualify him for this offence – so that his driving can be regularized.

"It would be to the benefit of the public if he were not banned and were allowed this opportunity to learn to drive responsibly."

Mrs Barbara Davis, presiding magistrate, told Witts: "Think of the people you could have killed – policemen, and innocent families with children."

But she said he would be banned for only three months so he could take the careers project hostel place.

Inspector Leonard Taylor said that a few hours after Witts took a car for a joyride in Gloucester, police saw him and gave chase.

He reached speeds of 80mph as he headed towards Stroud, mounting pavements and overtaking cars on the inside, the inspector said.

At one stage a police car pulled alongside but he veered out towards it, forcing the driver to fall back to avoid a collision.

Witts was finally stopped – by a tree.

His solicitor said Witts accepted his driving was appalling and that he deserved a severe sentence.

He admitted reckless driving, taking a car without consent, having no insurance or licence and breaking into the Gloucester Civil Service Club and stealing £37.

The Cornwell case

The rise and possible fall of an Australian organized crime boss

From Stephen Taylor in Sydney and Michael McCarthy

Bruce Cornwell, the man extradited from Britain to Australia this week amid unprecedented security, is allegedly one of a new type rapidly joining the Anzac soldier and the flying doctor in the canon of Australian mythological figures — the organized crime chief.

Organized crime has increased rapidly in Australia in the past 10 years, with the same vast increase in drugs trafficking that most Western countries have experienced.

It has forced itself on public attention with the breaking up of one big drugs syndicate and the report of a royal commission which alleged that the influence of the new breed of gangster was extending into the highest reaches of public life.

The "Mr Asia Syndicate" was shown on its destruction in 1981 to have been importing many millions of pounds worth of heroin from Thailand and Burma into Australia, not hesitating to murder anyone who got in its way.

It had spread its operations to Britain where it finally came to grief when its leader, a New Zealander called Terry Sinclair, had one of his lieutenants murdered and dumped in a Lancashire quarry.

Sinclair was convicted of the killing and died in unexplained circumstances in Parkhurst prison last year, possibly attempting to escape by using drugs to feign a heart attack.

The disclosures of the extent of Australian drugs-based organized crime which the "Mr Asia" trial provided were put in the shade by the Costigan report in late 1984.

A senior barrister, Mr Frank Costigan, QC, spent four years turning what began as an inquiry into a fringe union into a royal commission which alleged that organized crime seriously threatened Australia's stability.

His report led to the setting up of the National Crime Authority to try to combat the new breed of gangsters.

The "Mr Asia" case and the Costigan report illuminate the alleged activities of Mr Cornwell, aged 40, who has been referred to in the press as Australia's "Public Enemy Number One".

Several drugs gangs have tried to fill the void left by the breaking up of the "Mr Asia" syndicate; Mr Cornwell, from Gosford, north of Sydney, is believed to be the leader of the most successful.

One of the unpublished volumes of the Costigan report called for a separate royal commission to be held into Mr Cornwell's activities.

Mr Cornwell conceals a hair lip beneath a thin moustache and is known as "the Snapper" because he is reckoned to be as slippery as a snapper fish.

From small criminal beginnings as a street tough, he is thought to have been making millions of dollars out of drugs by the end of the 1970s and it is suggested that the drugs-related activities he controls have a turnover to be reckoned in billions of dollars.

For 10 years he has been on the run from Australian police and is thought to have slipped in and out of the country frequently using false passports.

Before going underground he led a flamboyant social life.

Among his alleged business partners have been Mr Andrew Stathis, said to have swindled Bishopsgate, the Australian insurance company he controlled, of Aus$19million before fleeing to Greece, and Mr Barry Bull, named by the Costigan report as a "leading light" in the Australian drugs trade, who is in prison in Austria awaiting extradition.

Investigators from the National Crime Authority, at whose request Mr Cornwell was returned to Australia, say privately that his criminal empire is massive and includes cold-blooded "contract" killers, lawyers, accountants and financial consultants who are responsible for "laundering" the funds acquired through its drugs activities.

Bruce Cornwell, right, handcuffed to a policeman, is led to a waiting helicopter at the start of his journey back to Australia

View obscured at crossing death

The death of Oxford University student, whose car crashed into a 70 mph express train at an open level crossing, remained unclear last night.

British Rail experts told an inquest at King's Lynn, Norfolk, that the red warning lights were later found to be working normally at Wiggenhall Street Germans Crossing.

Motorists were given 27 seconds warning by a train travelling at that speed, they said.

But Mr David Dennis, who went over the crossing a few hours earlier on the morning of July 11, told the jury that the warning lights began flashing only when he was almost up to the crossing. The warning siren did not sound at all.

Frances Brown, aged 19, of Clenchwarton, near King's Lynn, died of multiple injuries when her car and the train crashed.

Police Constable Peter Lenan said her view of the track would have been obscured by a thick hedge and railway and farm buildings. Two of the flashing warning lights were also obscured by the hedge.

A verdict of accidental death was returned.

Baptists claim tarot readings are 'evil'

By Trudi McIntosh

A baptist church minister in Fakenham, Norfolk, has protested that a clairvoyant telling customers' futures at a local department store is dabbling in "devil worship".

Some baptists in the town have threatened to boycott the store. W J Aldiss, until the clairvoyant, Mr Stephen Alexandre, aged 40, leaves.

The Rev Peter Lane, the baptist minister, said in a letter to Mr Tim Aldiss, the store's managing director, that he considered tarot cards "evil" and a "form of devil worship".

He wrote: "We believe that no good can come from this and pray that you will have second thoughts about it."

But Mr Alexandre, from Wilmslow, Cheshire, who has been reading tarot cards for the past 11 years in many countries, said yesterday: "There is no way I am involved in any form of devil worship and I consider tarot readings a form of science."

He describes himself as a professional clairvoyant and astrologist and said he was delighted to read customers' futures free of charge.

"People come to see me out of curiosity, boredom and those who need answers to problems they have, particularly personal relationships. I never profess that I am talking to dead people."

Yesterday men and women from as far as Clacton-on-Sea queued with special tickets to receive a tarot reading. Mr Aldiss said that one woman drove more than 130 miles.

He was disappointed by the church's reaction. "We arranged for the tarot sessions as a form of entertainment for our customers." Mr Aldiss said yesterday's first session had been so successful that another one will be held today.

Portfolio —Gold—

Mother of nine celebrates

A grandmother from Wandsworth, Mrs Louisa Rose Woodvine, 64, was yesterday's winner of the Portfolio Gold prize of £4,000.

Mrs Woodvine, a mother of nine who has 30 grandchildren, said: "I'm absolutely delighted with the money, though it hasn't quite penetrated yet."

Mrs Woodvine said she will spend the money on her family, especially her daughter Louisa, who recently had her handbag stolen from her car.

Readers who experience difficulty obtaining a Portfolio Gold card, should send a stamped addressed envelope to: Portfolio Gold, The Times, PO Box 40, Blackburn, BB1 6AJ.

Refugee aid of £100,000

Mr Timothy Raison, Minister for Overseas Development, yesterday announced a grant of £100,000 to help Afghan refugees in Iran. Projects include expanding health services and providing food, shelter and travel assistance and help with the completion of temporary reception centres. Last year, the British Government granted £200,000 for Afghan refugees in Iran.

Pool gas leak

Sixteen children were taken to hospital yesterday after inhaling chlorine gas, which had been pumped accidentally into a swimming pool at Dudley Leisure Centre in the West Midlands.

Psychopath rules may be tightened

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

Tighter controls governing the discharge of psychopaths from hospital are being considered by ministers after concern was expressed about the release of patients who then commit new offences.

A report by a group of officials from the Home Office and the Department of Health and Social Security says it was not wholly satisfied with the handling of cases within the existing mental health law. A patient could be discharged by a mental health review tribunal even though he is still considered a risk to the public by the Home Secretary, the group said.

Moreover, the period of his detention in hospital may bear no relation to the period he would have served had he received a custodial sentence.

Of 38 psychopaths admitted to special hospitals and discharged by a mental health review tribunal between September 30, 1983 and the end of 1985, four are known to have committed subsequently a serious offence.

The group says in a consultative document that concern could be met by ensuring that offenders suffering from psychopathic disorder were sentenced in the normal way by the courts.

In cases which caused greatest concern it could be expected that the court would, in future, often pass a life sentence.

That would ensure that the offender would not be released other than by the Home Secretary.

The group recommends amending Section 37 of the Mental Health Act which allows a court to send an offender to a hospital willing to take him.

Instead, the group suggests a new provision which would enable the court to sentence the offender to a specified period of custody in hospital.

Offenders Suffering From Psychopathic Disorder, from the Home Office, C3 Division, 50 Queen Anne's Gate, London SW1A 0AA or DHSS, MHC Division, Room C516, Alexander Fleming House, Elephant and Castle, London SE1 6BY.

Thousands head for Super Prix

By Craig Seton

More than 100,000 spectators are expected to watch the first Monaco-style motor racing on public roads in Britain during the Birmingham Super Prix which starts on Sunday. Eight miles of crash barriers have been built around a 2.5-mile circuit and speeds of up to 180 mph will be reached during the two-day event.

West Midlands police will have 1,000 officers on duty in an attempt to avoid traffic chaos with 50,000 cars expected to enter the city, which has only 23,000 parking spaces.

The council sponsored a parliamentary Bill to win permission to close public roads for the event and achieved a four to one majority in favour of the Super Prix in a referendum of residents living in the area.

Birmingham's labour-controlled council plans to hold the event every year to boost the city's flagging economy and hopes to recover its investment over five years.

This year's main event will be a 51-lap round of the European-based Formula 3000 championship with about 20 other events for a variety of cars.

There has been considerable opposition to the Super Prix, from local residents and church leaders who have decided that some of their Sunday services will have to be cancelled because of the noise and congestion.

Red and white triangle warning on TV sex

Channel 4 is to use a red and white triangle as its warning symbol on films containing scenes of sex, violence and bad language. A six-month experiment with the symbol, to be monitored by Channel 4 and the Independent Broadcasting Authority, will begin in mid-September.

The symbol, warning viewers to use their discretion about whether to watch the film, will appear on the full screen with the words "special discretion required" before the film starts and will be shown again at the end of each commercial break. While the film is on, the symbol will be superimposed in the top left hand corner of the screen.

Channel 4 said yesterday that only about half-a-dozen films would warrant the symbol each year of the 500 shown by the network and any controversial films always went out late at night. It will first be used on the film *Themroc*, a comedy with sexual overtones.

The choice of the symbol was announced by Channel 4 yesterday when the network launched a £40 million line-up of new programmes for the autumn. It includes important new documentary series, more new drama and a festival of comedy featuring almost 100 comedy films.

SPECIAL DISCRETION REQUIRED

Channel 4 will extend its broadcasting hours at the weekend by going on air at 9.30 am and giving viewers an extra seven hours of programmes over the two days. Programmes in the extra hours will include Brazilian and Pakistani drama, international affairs, repeats of the popular *Treasure Hunt* programme and the documentary series Heart Of The Dragon about contemporary China.

There will also be programmes specially for families, children and teenagers.

Tap water is 'best buy'

Two-thirds of the population say that tap water is good enough to drink, and that they would never pay for mineral water, according to a new NOP survey. Almost a third subscribed to the view that mineral water is "drunk by people with more money than sense".

Nonetheless, NOP, who interviewed 1,949 people in June, found that a quarter had drunk bottled mineral water within the past year. Four out of 10 of those drinking mineral water buy it at least once a month, and half named Perrier as the brand they drank most often.

Softly, softly move for rare bird

The eggs of a rare bird of prey, found in the Clyde submarine base, have been saved by gradually moving their nest to a new site.

The nest of the protected hen harrier lay in the path of a new road being built at a missile store site at Coulport, Loch Long, as part of the expansion of the Polaris base to take Trident.

The Property Services Agency, which is controlling the development, agreed to an experiment by the Nature Conservancy Council after the nest was found by a surveyor on June 3.

As work on the road was postponed, Mr Andrew Moore, an NCC assistant regional officer, and Mr Donald Watson, a world expert on hen harriers, built a 4ft 6in square copy of the nest site on a pallet, camouflaged with peat and heather.

The eggs were first removed to safety and replaced with normal chicken eggs and the pallet was placed on the site. The next day the pallet and the new nest were moved 12 feet up a slope and conservationists watched as the mother returned to sit on the hen's eggs.

The move was repeated daily for the next two weeks. To keep the harrier's view from the nest as close as possible to the original, young spruce trees along the path had to be cut down.

One tree was always kept near the pallet, mimicking the original site, and even a red marker ribbon which the surveyor tied to the tree was kept. After five days rangers removed a section of a stone wall by hand to allow the procession to continue.

Mr Moore said: "The hen harrier likes to nest in open heather and we believe she was not happy to accept a restricted field of view. If we did not remove part of the wall and disguise the remains she would probably not have returned to the nest."

On June 15, the pallet was moved to its final resting place 150 ft away in a cleared site in a plantation of lodge pole pines and larch trees.

The real harrier eggs were returned to the nest, and on June 29 an inspection revealed a young chick with two eggs still to be hatched. "This had never been done before to our knowledge," Mr Moore said.

Harriers, which are a Schedule 1 protected species under the 1981 Wildlife and Countryside Act, have historically been persecuted because of their supposed dietary preference for game birds.

HOW TWO BUCKETS, A RUBBER BALL AND SOME STRING GOT ERIC MURRAY HIS HOME BACK.

"It was February last year when I fell over. I've got arthritis, you see, and it's difficult to bend down. I dropped a tin of beans and fell trying to pick it up. Of course, then I couldn't get up. It was just me and the beans, stuck there on the floor."

In Britain, 189,000 old people can't get in and out of bed without help. 695,000 can't cope with stairs. 1,056,000 can't walk without help. One household in seven is inhabited by an old person living alone.

The consequences of frailty can be devastating to the old. A five inch kerbstone; turning a key; a patch of uneven ground; the ability to manage everyday obstacles like these can easily make the difference between living at home, or not.

Help the Aged funds Day Hospitals where people like Eric can receive the individual therapy to give them the ability and the confidence to retain their precious independence.

After treatment to improve balance and co-ordination, including practice in bending down and picking the ball from one bucket to another, he was confident enough to go home.

ALTHOUGH THIS IS A CASE HISTORY, THE NAME HAS BEEN CHANGED TO PROTECT PRIVACY.

Except that they were able to help further. By wrapping string round it to thicken the handle, Eric can now hold a saucepan so he can eat hot food again.

The entire quality of life for millions of old people depends upon simple, practical measures like those the Day Hospital provides.

In addition Help the Aged supports Day Centres, helps fund minibuses, provides emergency alarm systems and supports hundreds of other projects to combat the loneliness, isolation and frailty that so many people suffer, just because they're old.

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100 held in police cells despite Hurd commitment

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

Almost 100 prisoners on remand are being kept in police cells in spite of attempts by the Government to clear such cells and its plan to abolish, in the next session of Parliament, the law allowing such detention in the case of offenders.

Throughout this year in London and the South-east prisoners remanded in custody and awaiting trial have continued to go to police station and magistrates' court cells where they are held in conditions that are regarded as poor even compared with those in remand prisons.

The Home Secretary cleared the cells amid widespread criticism by the new year, but a fortnight later the cells again began to be filled and, at one point, the total held reached 227.

Earlier this month the figure was about 175; yesterday the Home Office said it was 89.

An official said: "Unfortunately it has been found necessary to have prisoners who ought to be in prisons located in police cells. This is a very serious problem and the Home Secretary [Mr Douglas Hurd] has concerned himself with the matter.

"It is a continuing commitment of the Home Office's prisons department that there should be no routine use of police cells, but this has not been found possible, despite efforts, in the South-east."

The continuing sending of remand prisoners to police cells has been strongly criticized in an editorial in the latest issue of the *Solicitors' Journal*.

It describes the keeping of several thousand, "if not tens of thousands", of remand prisoners for part of the time in police cells as a "blot on the penal system".

"Right-thinking people generally should be appalled at what is happening here to quite a substantial number of people." If similar numbers were held in similar conditions in Saudi Arabia there would be an outcry, it says.

The system is capable of a cheap and simple remedy, the journal says. Non-violent prisoners could be released two or three days before the end of their sentence to make room for those to whom magistrates felt they could not grant bail.

"It is pure thoughtlessness by, and the indifference of, the authorities that this situation has arisen and is being perpetuated."

Under the criminal justice Bill to be published in the autumn the Government intends to abolish section 134 of the Magistrates' Courts Act, 1980, by which magistrates have power to order offenders to be detained for up to four days in police cells.

That power achieved publicity when used by magistrates for drink-driving cases. The Government has said that, if a sentence involves sustained overnight detention other than in a prison, it should not involve police cells or police officers.

Poverty affecting a third in Scotland

More than a third of people in Scotland are living in poverty, or on the poverty line, according to report published yesterday by the Low Pay Unit.

In the past year the number of low-paid workers in Scotland has grown by 50,000, with nearly half the country's workforce earning less than £116 a week, the Council of Europe's "decency threshold", it says.

The unit believes that the new Wages Act has weakened the Wages Council system of legal minimum pay in shops, hotels, public houses and hairdressers, with young workers losing legal entitlement to minimum wages and conditions.

The unit estimates that 250,000 adult workers will soon lose entitlement to paid holidays and skill differentials.

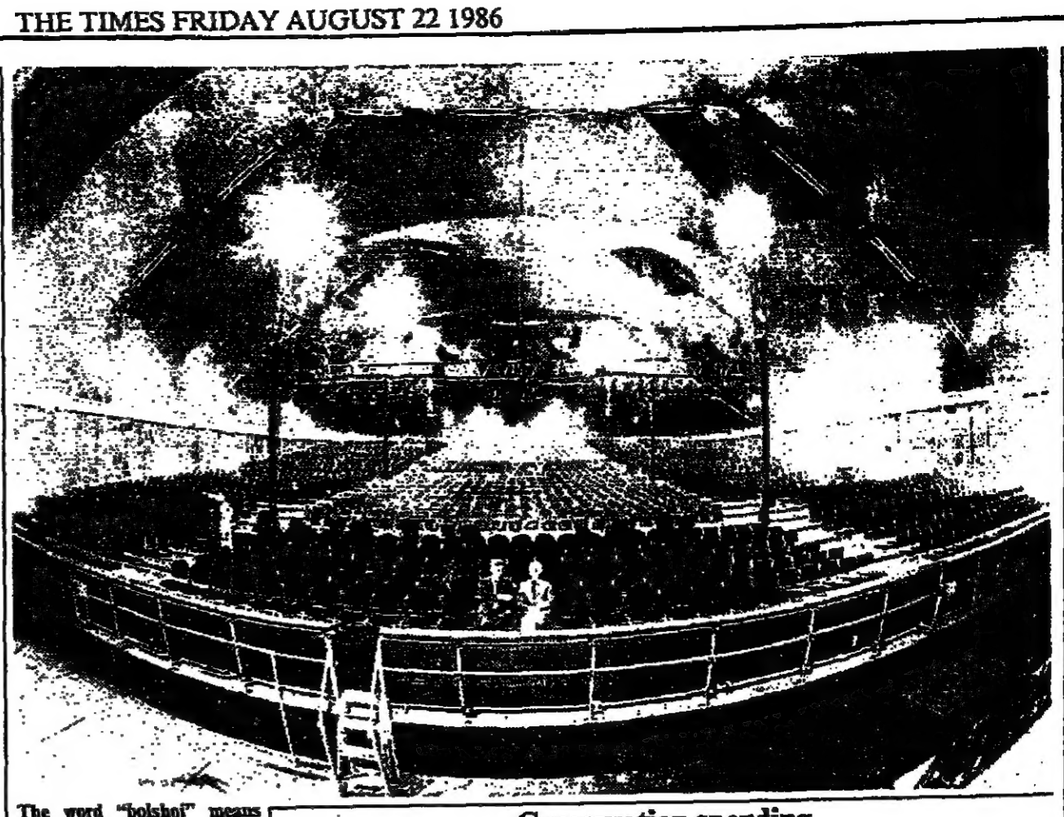
"Lower wages means lower spending and a depressed demand for local goods and services.

"Competition based on wage undercutting destabalizes the business environment, hinders planning and investment, and discourages employee-training programmes", the report says.

Trade unions and local authorities in Scotland will discuss low pay at a conference in Stirling tomorrow organized by the Low Pay Unit and the Scottish TUC.

Mr Campbell Christie, the STUC general secretary, said yesterday: "Encouraging low pay will not revive the Scottish economy, it only generates hardship and inefficiency."

Breadline Scotland: Low Pay and Inequality North of the Border by Robin Smail (available from the Low Pay Unit, 9 Upper Berkeley Street, London, W1H 8BY; £2.50).



The word "bolshoi" means "big" in Russian, and nothing less than one of the world's biggest marquee's has been built at a cost of £400,000 for performances by the Bolshoi Ballet in London next week.

Mr Peter Wrightman (left), director of the Entertainment Corporation, which brought the company to Britain for the first time in 12 years, and Mr Yuri Grigorovich, its artistic director, were yesterday dwarfed by the towering 83 metre by 63 metre interior of the 3,650-seat marquee.

Workmen took two weeks to build the green and yellow tent in Battersea Park, south London, which includes a full-sized stage and a one metre deep by 22 metres long orchestra pit dug out of the ground.

The site was provided free by Wandsworth council, which also spent more than £26,000 on power and landscaping. (Photograph: Suresh Karadia)

Conservation spending

Nature reserves cost £2m

By John Winder

The Nature Conservancy Council spent £2,060,000 on acquiring 65 new nature reserves in 1985-86, it is disclosed in the council's annual accounts presented to Parliament yesterday.

The council also concluded 201 new management agreements and leases at an initial cost of £2,334,000 and was negotiating more than 1,000 others.

The new agreements will increase the bill for annual payments from £445,000 to £1,425,000, while those under negotiation, subject to availability of funds, will cost £10.5 million over the next two years.

The council has also increased grant aid to the voluntary sector by £423,000 to £1,239,000, including the innovation of a schools grants scheme.

That is to aid establishment of nature areas in school grounds to encourage practice and understanding of nature conservation. Already £66,000 has been spent on 222 school projects.

The council welcomes an increase in grant-in-aid from the Department of the Environment for 1986-87 by about £9.4 million to £32.118 million.

It says the figure is marginally below that needed to carry out the full "preferred programme" the council set itself in the five-year corporate plan which started last year, but that it will provide for further strengthening of permanent staff and enable the council to meet commitments in the main work areas.

The grant-in-aid is just under £1 million below the top figure the council asked for and reflects the Government's anxiety to present a good image in conservationist terms.

The council is asked to present three figures to meet its requirements: the minimum, a Public Expenditure Survey Committee figure and a top figure representing all the work the body thinks it can achieve in a given year.

Nature Conservancy Council Account 1985-86 (Stationery Office; £3 20).

'Banbury Seven' hearing starts

Seven firemen facing dismissal for taking industrial action appeared before a three-day disciplinary hearing yesterday at Didcot, Oxfordshire, accused of neglecting their duties

More than fifty firemen who turned out to support the "Banbury Seven" could also face disciplinary action for wearing their uniforms at the demonstration without permission.

The seven are the first emergency workers to be penalized for taking industrial action and Mr Alan Totterdell, national officer for the Fire Brigade Union, said:

"The disciplinary codes should not be used in industrial disputes. Our members were taking action to secure changes in the problems of undermanning; matters of public concern."

As the hearing began firemen throughout the county answered 999 calls only. But the union emphasized that the public was not being put at risk.

Remand over second death

An unemployed man who is accused of murdering Mrs Henrietta Osborne, aged 86, in Pimlico, south-west London, last year, was charged at Horseferry Road Court yesterday with a second killing.

David McKenzie, aged 32, of Page Street, Pimlico, was further remanded in custody accused of murdering Mrs Barbara Ann Pinder, aged 76, at her home in Prince of Wales Drive in October 1984.

Bullion case man in court

Brian Perry, a businessman accused of handling cash proceeds of the £26 million Brinks-Mat gold bullion raid, was further remanded in custody until August 29 by Horseferry Road Magistrates' Court, in London, yesterday.

Mr Perry, aged 48, of Main Road, Biggin Hill, Kent, is charged with assisting in the realization of £98,000 worth of stolen gold bullion on or before August 12.

Killer weed spreads south

A giant hogweed with a painful sting that could kill delicate people is spreading fast from Scotland.

Scientists at the North East Agriculture College in Aberdeen are investigating the rapid spread of *heracleum mantegazzianum* which grows 10 ft tall and has stung forestry workers and children in Scotland and Yorkshire.

CID chief

Det Supt John McConnell, aged 53, is to be the new head of Sussex CID, succeeding Chief Supt Jack Reece, who retires next month. Mr McConnell has been at county police headquarters, Lewes, since 1982, when he became deputy head of CID.

Girl murdered

A baby-sitter aged 15 was found murdered yesterday in a house in Leaper Street, Derby, the home of Mrs Linda Gilligan and her son aged five. The girl, not being named until relatives are told, had been "savagely attacked", the police said.

Blast victim

An electrician died yesterday after an explosion the night before at Cottam power station in Nottinghamshire. He was named as Mr Eric Batty, aged 45, from Pudsey, West Yorkshire, who suffered 53 per cent burns.

Name change

A prize-winning police alsatian at Harrogate, North Yorkshire, has had his name changed from Ali to Alique after complaints by some Muslims that they found his former name offensive.

Car deaths

Four young hotel workers were killed yesterday when their Ford Capri plunged out of control into a ditch on the A429 between Coventry and Kenilworth, Warwickshire.

Junk food is patient's life saver

By Thomson Prentice Science Correspondent

The hearty appetite of Mr Adrian Fox, a Welsh businessman, may save his life. Mr Fox, aged 36, is eating four square meals a day to prepare himself for a heart transplant operation.

His doctors have prescribed "junk" food as part of the process of gaining 28 lb to build up his strength.

Mr Fox's weight dropped from 17 stone 7lb to 10 stone after he had stomach surgery two months ago.

He is to be assessed for a heart transplant at Harefield Hospital, west London, by Mr Magdi Yacoub, the cardiac surgeon, as a last resort for his serious heart condition.

"The most important thing is to make him fit and looking good for his meeting with Mr Yacoub in October," one of Mr Fox's local doctors, Dr Rhidian Dowdle, said yesterday.

"He needs calories and protein most of all, and junk food gives him those.

"Marathon runners in the days before a big race cram themselves with junk food."

Mr Fox, who is married with two children and lives in Treforest, Mid Glamorgan, said: "After my stomach operation, my waistline shrank from 42 inches to 32 inches and I looked like Coco the Clown with my old clothes on."

He now weighs 11 stone 7lb.

Driver fleeing from police dies in crash

An inquiry was launched yesterday into the death of a driver in a high-speed crash after a police patrol tried to stop him for not wearing a seatbelt.

Police saw Mr Simon Hansford, aged 24, of the Grove, Hartley Wintney, Hampshire, apparently driving a Ford Granada without his seatbelt in Camberley, Surrey.

When Mr Hansford stopped at a red traffic light, a police officer tried to talk to him, but he drove off at speed. As the car headed towards Wokingham, Berkshire, on the A321 it lost control on a bend and hit a parked van. Mr Hansford had to be cut from the wreckage by firemen but died at Frimley Park Hospital.

Company in court over T-shirt 'bovver boys'

The Weetabix skinheads who appear in the television advertisements for the breakfast cereal landed a T-shirt company in trouble yesterday.

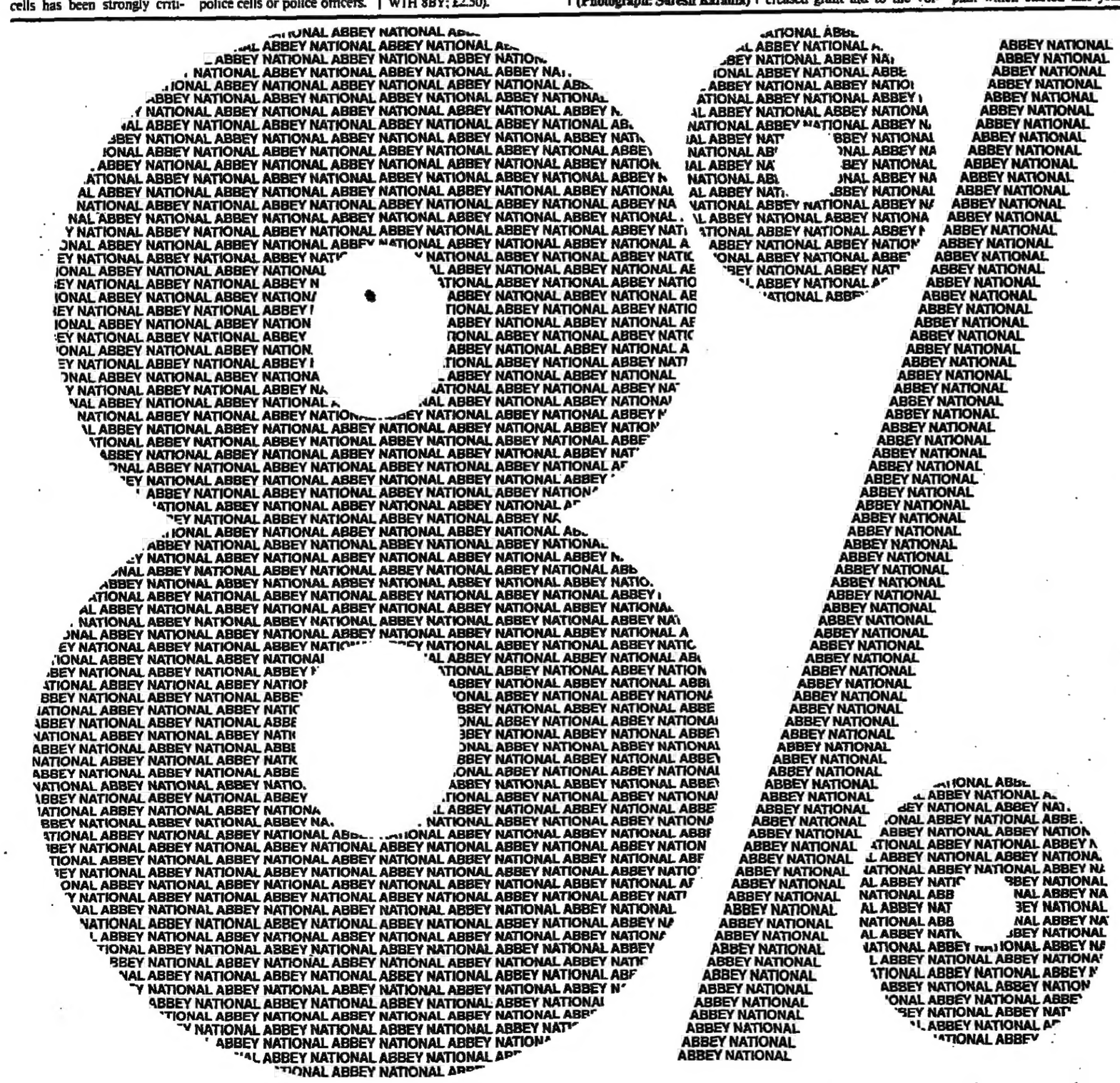
It depicted one of the characters dressed as a "bovver boy" on the front of a shirt smoking a cannabis cigarette with the words "Weedabix — It's neat weed mate".

In the High Court yesterday, Loud Clothes, which sold the shirt, and the maker, Dealer Trend, agreed to withdraw the shirts from sale.

In an action brought by Weetabix and its advertising agency, Allen Brady and Marsh, the two companies gave their consent to Mr Justice Hoffmann to be bound over by the orders.

They also consented to an order banning them from selling other T-shirts which represent to children that Weetabix promotes the distribution of drugs.

The companies agreed to pay Weetabix a total of £412 damages and to destroy the silk screens used to print the shirts.



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Australia toughens its sanctions to 'bring Pretoria to its senses'

From Stephen Taylor, Sydney

Australia yesterday announced a package of sanctions against South Africa which go beyond the measures agreed by the majority group at the recent Commonwealth mini-summit in London.

Mr Bob Hawke, the Prime Minister, told Parliament that the Government was implementing the 11 sanctions agreed between Australia, Bahamas, Canada, India, Zambia and Zimbabwe — and rejected by Britain — and was taking an additional two independent measures.

These amount to the closure of the South African Trade Commission office in Melbourne, and the allocation in the budget of $Aus 5 million (£2.01 million) in assistance to South African refugees. Officials said privately that this aid could benefit the African National Congress.

Mr Hawke announced that the following measures agreed in London will also follow:

● South African Airways is to have its landing rights terminated, ending the weekly Johannesburg-Sydney flight. Under the bilateral agreement one year's notice has to be given.

Thereafter the weekly Qantas flight to Zimbabwe will be Australia's only direct air link to southern Africa, and the Australian national carrier stands to benefit significantly as a result. In 1984/1985, 21,847 passengers flew the route with SAA, but only 8,600 with Qantas.

● The South African Tourist Commission in Sydney is to be closed, enforcing a ban on tourist promotions.

● A ban on imports of agricultural products and some minerals will be imposed six months after the completion of customs negotiations.

Australia's total imports from South Africa in the first 11 months of the financial year amounted to $Aus 145 million (£58.4 million) of which $Aus 31 million would have been affected by the regulation.

● Australian consular facilities in South Africa are to be restricted, but not withdrawn. These measures are still under consideration, but informed sources said they would probably mean that South African citizens wanting to visit Australia as tourists or for business would have to obtain visas in third countries, but that prospective migrants could still make application in South Africa.

● Other sanctions include a ban on new investment in South Africa, which Mr Hawke implicitly acknowledged was unenforceable, a ban on new bank loans, and an end to all government assistance for trade ventures between the two countries.

Mr Hawke repeated the maxim of Mr Bill Hayden, his Foreign Minister, that the aim of sanctions was not to bring South Africa to its knees but to its senses.

But Mr John Howard, the Leader of the Opposition, who opposes sanctions, said that it was easy for Canberra to adopt a high moral tone when, unlike Britain, it had little to lose.

Only this week in the budget, he went on, the Hawke Government had demonstrated its own willingness to compromise a moral principle for economic ends by agreeing to rescind the ban on uranium sales to France.

"What the Government said was 'forget the morality, let's take the money and run.' I have no trouble with supporting that decision, but I do have trouble with the selective morality of this Government," he added.

Some economic analysts believe that in the long term Australia stands to benefit from trade sanctions against South Africa, as they are competitors on the minerals market.

In the short term, however, the effect will be to the further detriment of Australia's troubled economy.

Paper prints censored news

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

South Africa's oldest newspaper, the *Cape Times*, yesterday gave its readers a glimpse of some of the information it had been unable to report over the past two months because of restrictions imposed under the state of emergency.

Counsel for the Government conceded in a Supreme Court hearing in Pietermaritzburg, in Natal, this week that two of the restrictions had been improperly promulgated and were no longer binding.

The two restrictions, now in abeyance, prohibited journalists from reporting on the actions of the police and Army and from entering any area where "unrest" was occurring, without official permission.

The *Cape Times* gave the following examples of incidents it had been unable to report:

June 18: Police arrest and/or detain 999 members of the Commercial, Catering and Allied Workers' Union at a dairy company in Johannesburg.

July 2: Police break into I.D Mkhize Senior Secondary School in Nyanga black township outside Cape Town, where refugees from squatter camp fighting are sheltering. Men and boys loaded into trucks and taken to a police station where a man in a face mask identifies certain refugees, some of whom were then detained.

Leaders of nine southern African states meet in Luanda, Angola, today to discuss regional co-operation and progress in their efforts to end South African apartheid (Reuter reports).

July 7: Mr Ivor Sias, a fine arts student, is detained for two weeks after photographing a veld fire outside his mother's home near Somerset East in the Cape. Mr Sias alleged that eight armed men jumped from a police vehicle, bundled him into a van and accused him of being an arsonist.

July 10: The head of the School of Economics at the University of Cape Town, Professor Francis Wilson, and his wife are questioned by East London security police for four hours after being detained while conducting interviews and taking photographs for the South African College for Higher Education.

July 15: Police arrest 57 pupils from the Uitsig, Belhar Number 2, Symphony, Florida and Ravensmead High Schools, all Coloured (mixed-race) districts near Cape Town, for being outside classrooms during school hours.

Last week of July: Police raid homes of conscientious objectors belonging to the End Conscription Campaign, question and photograph occupants and confiscate material.

Details on Gurkhas released

By Our Foreign Staff

The British Army for the first time issued precise figures yesterday on the number of Gurkhas who made representations to avoid being discharged from the Army after the incident in which two officers were injured during a scuffle.

They show that in the support company of 1st Battalion, 7th Duke of Edinburgh's Own Gurkha Rifles, 123 soldiers were considered for discharge as a result of a failure to co-operate in an inquiry after the incident in May.

Of these, 36 made representations against being discharged, and in 12 cases the discharge was rescinded.

There are three cases which are still undecided.

The representations were made through the Gurkhas' officers and went up to Brigadier Ray Pett, Commander Gurkha Field Force in Hong Kong.

These figures mean that in 21 cases the representations were rejected, and that 108 Gurkhas have been discharged and sent back to Nepal.

Army sources said that the three undecided cases remained open because of private and compassionate factors concerning the individuals, but they were not prepared to go into details.

It remained open to those who had been discharged to make formal appeals up the chain of command.

Mr John Stanley, Minister of State for the Armed Forces, next week visits Hong Kong. It seems likely the issue will loom large in the discussions.

In the incident in Hawaii two officers were injured, one of them Captain Chandra Kumar Pradhan, a Gurkha officer, and the other the company commander, Major Corin Pearce.

The trouble occurred when the Gurkhas returned to their tent area about 1 am after a celebration at the end of an exercise. They are thought to have had an altercation with Captain Chandra, in which he was injured.

Major Pearce is thought then to have emerged on the scene and tried to restore order, during which he suffered head injuries and broken ribs.

Tamil refugees 'feared German expulsion'

From Frank Johnson, Bonn

The Help and Information Organization of Tamils in West Germany said yesterday that the 154 refugees who fled to Canada on a West German freighter did so because they feared that the Bonn Government would send them back to Sri Lanka.

The organization called a press conference to give its explanation of the voyage that ended in the refugees being picked up from lifeboats by Canadian Coastguards. The voyage appears to have drawn more attention in Europe to the Tamil refugees' plight even than the killings in Sri Lanka itself.

One detail has particularly impressed itself on the West German public: the claim that the freighter captain charged his passengers DM 50 — more than £10 — for a bottle of Coca Cola.

The Help and Information Organization chairman, Mr Tharmalingam Nadesalingam, a former journalist in Sri Lanka who has been in exile in West Germany since 1977, said of the boat people: "They panicked."

There had been such an outcry in the West German newspapers and on television about the number of asylum-seekers from the Third World, whom the East Germans were enabling to reach West Berlin in recent months, that they feared the West German Government would clamp down on asylum-seekers and refugees in general. "They feared that they would be sent back to Sri Lanka, and that would have meant death for them," he said.

Mr Nadesalingam said the boat people also wanted to escape the restrictions placed on them in West Germany. "We are not allowed to move from our town of residence to another town without permission of the authorities, even if one of our relatives has suddenly been taken ill."

Earlier, a more militant Tamil exile organization, the Tamil Tigers, called a press conference here to deny press allegations that it was involved in the illegal voyage to Canada.

● DELHI: The Indian Home and Foreign Ministers met Tamil militant groups in Madras yesterday to persuade them to support the Tamil United Liberation Front delegation currently talking to the Sri Lankan Government in Colombo in a search for a solution to the island's ethnic problem (Kuldip Nayar writes).

Deng still in the pink at 82

From Robert Grieves, Peking

Mr Deng Xiaoping (right), the Chinese leader, celebrates his 82nd birthday today without the fanfare of the personality cult that marked the reign of Mao Tse-tung, founder of the People's Republic.

While Mao lived, and particularly during the turbulent years of the Cultural Revolution (1966-76), huge posters, buttons, banners, Little Red Books, and gigantic portraits bore the likeness of the Great Helmsman.

But Mr Deng, the 5 ft-tall peppery politician from Sichuan province who survived two periods of exile in the countryside to take power in 1978, has deliberately played down his role in pulling China out of the dark ages of ideology and setting it on the modern road.

No banners, no large portraits in Tiananmen Square, no museums at his birthplace chronicle his life. In fact, Mr Deng no longer has an official title of leadership. He is listed simply as chairman of the innocuous-sounding but powerful Central Military Commission.

While Mao lived, the Prime Minister, Chou En-lai, and other leaders deferred to his every word. Mr Deng relies on collegiality, not only among his trusted advisers, but also among a new generation of technocrats that he is helping to promote to power.

Mr Deng is partially deaf, speaks in a slightly slurred Sichuan accent that is hard to

follow, and likes cold showers. He delights in telling guests that he still chain-smokes Panda brand cigarettes, enjoys a drop of liquor, and does not mind looking at pretty girls.

His long absences in recent years have led to flurries of speculation that he was either dead or dying. This spring his son, Mr Deng Pufang, who was crippled when he was thrown from a window by Red Guards during the Cultural Revolution, was asked by foreign correspondents if his father was in good health.

"Let me put it this way," he said. "We've all had two colds each this winter. He hasn't caught one."

America agonizes in aftermath of massacre

Debate on gun law revived by shootings

From Mohsin Ali
Washington

The Oklahoma massacre at Edmond post office on Wednesday has revived America's gun law controversy, one of the nation's longest, most emotional and divisive rows.

On a hot summer day Patrick Sherrill, aged 44, a postal worker facing dismissal, killed 14 co-workers before shooting himself. Americans were horrified as television reports said that his body was found with two .45-calibre pistols, an unused .22-calibre handgun, and a mailbag of ammunition.

The mass murder was the third worst one-day massacre in the US. On July 18, 1984, 21 people were shot dead in a McDonald's restaurant in San Ysidro, California, by an unemployed security guard who was killed by police.

On August 1, 1966, 16 people were killed and 31 wounded by a sniper firing from a tower at the University of Texas at Austin. He was shot by police.

The nation has never really recovered emotionally from the assassinations of President Kennedy, his brother Robert, and Dr Martin Luther King, and the 1981 attempt on President Reagan's life.

Yet Americans remain bitterly divided over calls for stricter gun control laws. Millions still deeply believe in the frontier spirit of the right of every American to carry arms.

Symbolically, President Reagan, despite the attempt on him, is not a strong advocate of stringent gun control laws.

He and many others maintain that it is people and not guns that kill. It has been widely reported that Mrs Reagan used to sleep with a little ivory-handled pistol under her pillow.

But Mrs Sarah Brady, the wife of Mr Reagan's press secretary, who was severely wounded during the presidential assassination attempt, has lobbied hard for stricter gun control.

Only last April an emotional debate gripped the Democrat-controlled House of Representatives. In the end it voted 292-136 to ease several restrictions on the 1968 gun control Act.

The House maintained an 18 year-old ban on selling handguns across state boundaries.

The vote followed the usual intense lobbying by the powerful National Rifle Association and rival handgun control advocates, including Senator Edward Kennedy, Mrs Brady and dozens of uniformed policemen who roamed the corridors of the Capitol trying to persuade congressmen not to ease restrictions

In the end both sides claimed a measure of victory. The NRA won the right to have firearms transported in interstate commerce and an easing of record-keeping requirements for gun dealers.

The handgun control groups won a vote for retaining the ban on interstate handgun sales, although the ban on interstate rifle and shotgun sales was lifted. They also won an amendment to prohibit possession of machine-guns.

The Bill, signed into law by President Reagan in May, made the first main changes in the 1968 gun control law passed after the assassinations of Dr King and Robert Kennedy.

The NRA is one of the most feared lobby groups in the country. Much of its power is based on its huge funds, which it uses ruthlessly to support its aims.

Congressmen challenging the NRA are frequently "targeted", with vast campaign funds being made available to their opponents.

Armed FBI agents (above left) moving in on the Edmond post office where Patrick Sherrill (right) killed 14 people. Residents (below) gathered only hours later for a memorial service.

Marrow donor delayed

Moscow (Reuter) — The Soviet authorities have promised to let a Jewish woman emigrate to donate bone marrow to her brother, but her father-in-law is refusing to sign documents which will enable her to leave, her husband said yesterday.

Mr Viktor Fleurov, a physicist, said emigration officials had informed him that they were granting permission to himself, his wife Inessa, and their two daughters to leave the Soviet Union for Israel.

Mrs Fleurova, a sociologist aged 37, has applied to emigrate to give bone marrow to her brother, Mr Mikhail Shirman, aged 31, who is suffering from leukaemia in Israel.

Mr Fleurov, aged 38, said that the emigration officials had said the family could not leave until his father had signed documents stating that he had no financial claims on his son. This procedure is routine in the cases of people wishing to emigrate from the Soviet Union.

Mr Fleurov said his father was refusing to sign the papers because he did not want him to emigrate. But he added that he blamed the emigration officials for the hold-up because the need to sign the papers was "routine nonsense".

Wurlitzer loss

Dekalb (UPI) — The Equity Life Assurance Company has foreclosed on the beleaguered Wurlitzer organ company because of its inability to meet its July mortgage payment, a company spokesman said.

Repercussions of Chernobyl disaster

Moscow rules out British farmers

By Mark Dowd

British farmers are unlikely to receive direct compensation from the Soviet Government in the wake of the Chernobyl disaster after an announcement yesterday by its Ambassador in London, Mr Leonid Zamyatin.

Mr Zamyatin said that independent experts had shown that radiation levels in Europe had not been high enough to cause serious damage.

He added: "Tell me, who is going to provide compensation for what has happened in our territory?"

Restrictions on the movement of sheep in Wales, Scotland and Cumbria have left farmers with an estimated bill of £1.50 a week for every sheep which had to be retained on farms. Because lambs were prevented from roaming freely on hills, they became too fat to attract special premium payments.

The National Farmers' Union believes that a conservative cost to British agriculture is in the region of £10 million.

The Foreign Office declined to comment on yesterday's announcement, although it is believed that lawyers are still seeking avenues within international law for passing the bill on to the Soviet Government.

A spokesman for the NFU said: "Farmers weren't really expecting cheques from the Soviet Union. We have made it clear all along that our claim is with the British Government."

Farmers met with Ministry of Agriculture officials at the end of July when they received assurances that losses would be underwritten.

The NFU, however, said it expects the Government to pursue its claim with Moscow.

Japanese to dismantle experimental plant

From David Watts, Tokyo

Japan is to dismantle its first experimental nuclear reactor at a cost of about 10 billion yen (£43.5 million).

The work is expected to begin on September 1 and will take six years to remove a 12,500-kilowatt reactor which used British technology.

The reactor, which has been out of service for 10 years, was built in 1963 and generated 140 million kilowatt-hours of power during its life.

Britain played a vital role in Japan's early development of nuclear power generation, but today the Japanese largely use American technology.

The work will tackle first the most highly radioactive parts of the reactor at Tokai Mura, north-east of Tokyo, after extensive research by the Japan Atomic Energy Research Institute on the technology needed for the dismemberment of nuclear plant.

The institute has spent billions developing the ability to cut the thick concrete and steel into blocks using remotely controlled robots.

The Government and private industry are hoping to gain sufficient experience for the 1990s when several of Japan's more than two dozen reactors will be reaching the end of their lives.

The fuel rods and control rods have already been removed from the reactor core. During this fiscal year the work will consist mostly of putting up scaffolding and opening up entrances for the machinery.

In 1987 the part of the reactor with the highest radioactivity will be removed.

The estimated 14,000 tons of radioactive waste will be buried in drums, but the authorities have not indicated where. Within the last year Japan has been forced by South Pacific countries to rescind plans to dump nuclear waste in their oceans.

Delegation fails in Peking trip

From Robert Grieves
Peking

A Hong Kong delegation opposed to China's construction of the Daya Bay nuclear power station 42 miles north-east of the colony left Peking yesterday without a sign from the Government that it might consider their argument.

The 12-member delegation of the joint committee to shelve the Daya Bay nuclear plant, arrived here on Sunday but failed to get an opportunity to put their case directly to members of China's powerful State Council.

The deputy director of the Peking's Hong Kong and Macao Office met on Wednesday with the delegation which, led by the Rev Fung Chi-Wood, said it had collected more than one million signatures on a petition against the plant.

During its visit the delegation made several unsuccessful attempts to meet China's top leaders, according to a delegation spokesman, Mr Anthony Ha. Instead, they met low-level bureaucrats and also held meetings with members of China's National Nuclear Safety Administration.

"We are very disappointed, we wished to see people from the State Council directly," said Mr Fung. "But we have good confidence that the top leaders are seriously considering changing their minds."

The Daya plant, China's first nuclear power station, is scheduled for completion in 1991. Almost 75 per cent of the electricity it generates will be supplied to Hong Kong.

Its two 900-megawatt reactors will be built by Framatome, the French company, while the conventional equipment and turbines will be imported from the General Electric Company.

In a related development, Mr Jiang Shengjie, director of the National Nuclear Safety Administration, told the *China Daily* this week that China has the capability to store radioactive wastes and to dispose of spent fuel.

K2 survivor back to face amputations

Vienna — The two survivors of the K2 mountain tragedy, Herr Kurt Diemberger and Herr Willi Bauer, returned to Austria yesterday (Richard Bassen writes).

Herr Diemberger said he had slept well for the first time in weeks and that he was reconciled to losing some of his fingers and toes.

Argentine plane protest

From Michael Binyon, Washington

Argentina's mission to the United Nations yesterday delivered a formal protest to the Secretary-General about British warplanes flying low over an Argentine fishing vessel in the South Atlantic on August 11.

The Foreign Ministry in Buenos Aires said that a note had been sent to Señor Javier Pérez de Cuéllar complaining that British jets harassed the trawler Rokku Maru.

Argentina "once more rejects Britain's attempted protection zone" around the Falkland Islands.

The incident occurred in Argentine-claimed waters only seven miles outside Britain's 150-mile exclusion zone around the Falklands.

Señor Dante Caputo, the Foreign Minister, said the British planes had made a series of aggressive moves against Argentine trawlers

US frees Japanese held over war protest

Washington — A Japanese graduate student, detained by immigration officials on his return to New York from Holland because computer records showed that he had been arrested during a protest against the Vietnam war in Japan in 1968, has been allowed to remain in the US (Michael Binyon writes).

Bowing to a wave of public indignation, the Immigration and Naturalization Service said it was no longer seeking to deport Mr Choichiro Yatani, who teaches psychology and Japanese at the State University of New York.

Spy hotline

Tacoma, Washington (UPI) — A free "spyline" telephone service introduced at army bases in North Carolina, Texas and Washington has already paid off with tips on suspected espionage activity, an intelligence official said.

Ships collide

Washington (AP) — One American died and two others are missing after a Yugoslav freighter and a small American fishing boat collided on Lake Michigan.

Moscow 'first'

Bern (Reuter) — Mr Pierre Aubert will pay the first official visit by a Swiss Foreign Minister to the Soviet Union next month.

Suspects held

West Berlin (Reuter) — Three people are in custody after a city-wide search for guerrillas suspects believed to be planning a bomb attack on two US military installations.

Bitter harvest

Belgrade (Reuter) — Romania lost three million tonnes of wheat and barley, more than a quarter of this year's harvest, because of bad management, President Ceausescu said.

Test-tube 4

Tel Aviv (Reuter) — A 34-year-old woman gave birth to test-tube quadruplets after more than 16 years of infertility.

Truck kills 11

Izmir, Turkey (AFP) — Eleven people, including nine women, died when a speeding truck plunged into a ditch.

New satellite

Moscow (AFP) — A new Soviet satellite, Cosmos-1771, carrying equipment for studying space, has been successfully launched.

Church rescue

Toulouse (AFP) — Peter Patchett, aged 21, a British mountaineer practising for the Pyrenees, was rescued from the top of a church tower.

Sex register

Providence, Rhode Island (AP) — A man accused of running a prostitution ring involving students used the university's register as a recruiting catalogue, court documents claimed.

Navy's return

Singapore (Reuter) — Royal Navy ships on a world tour, headed by the carrier Illustrious, made an emotional return to the spot off Malaysia where the Prince of Wales and Repulse were sunk by Japanese aircraft.

Cabby threat

Dubai (Reuter) — Taxi drivers in the Gulf emirate of Dubai who do not dress "correctly" have been told they will lose their licences for two months.

Tobacco suit

Melbourne (Reuter) — A 38-year-old Melbourne woman won the right to sue Rothmans of Pall Mall and the American Cigarette Company for damages over the cancer which is killing her.

VIP arrest

Moscow (Reuter) — The former Soviet Deputy Foreign Trade Minister, Mr Vladimir Sushkov, has been arrested in connection with a smuggling scandal, *Izvestia* reported.

Aids tests

Helsinki, (Reuter) — Finland is to introduce Aids tests for all pregnant women in the capital in a campaign to halt the spread of the killer disease.

Crime protest

La Unión, Spain (Reuter) — Three Civil Guards and a demonstrator were injured in a protest against street crime.

Deadly drink

Lisbon (Reuter) — Six Cape Verdian fishermen have died after drinking methyl alcohol from barrels netted off the Atlantic islands.

Cancer rally

Budapest — More than 8,000 cancer specialists from all over the world met in Budapest for the annual congress of the International Union Against Cancer.

Washington mayor to be investigated over use of expenses

From Michael Binyon, Washington

The controversial mayor of America's capital city, whose administration has been mired in charges of corruption and incompetence, is being investigated by a grand jury on suspicion of using Washington city funds for personal expenses.

Mayor Marion Barry, an ambitious black politician who is only the second mayor since the District of Columbia was granted limited "home rule" by Congress, refused to comment on the allegations.

But the District government has turned over to investigators, led by the US Attorney's office and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, records of travel and entertainment expenses made on his behalf.

Last week he voluntarily reimbursed the city with $4,791 (£3,194) for expenses that lacked documentation.

Mr Barry is campaigning hard for re-election to a third term this year. The investigation, coming on top of mounting criticism of wrongdoing by his administration, may lend ammunition to his opponents who have been unable so far to mount a credible challenge.

The mayor came under scrutiny two years ago during a separate investigation into drug use by city workers. At the time a whiff of scandal surrounded the conviction of Karen Johnson, a former energy specialist, for the sale and possession of cocaine.

Mr Barry testified he had known and visited her at her flat, though never received cocaine from her.

Since he took office in 1979, 10 senior and mid-level District of Columbia officials, including Mr Ivanhoe Donaldson, the former deputy mayor, have been convicted of crimes relating to their official duties. Mr Donaldson, a former close associate of the mayor, is now in prison.

Mr Barry has been accused by Washington newspapers of using city funds for his political trips. His office admitted that his expenses records were in "disarray".

Documents subpoenaed by *The Washington Post* showed that during the past seven years more than $120,000 has been set aside in two separate funds for the mayor's ceremonial and other official expenses.

The city of Washington has undergone an economic and building boom during the Barry administration, but there have been frequent complaints of city mismanagement. The overcrowding in District prisons has been so bad that courts have ordered a ban on new admissions.

But criticism of Mr Barry's administration has been muted because of the sensitive racial situation.

Washington is America's largest predominantly black city, and many residents fear criticism will be racially exploited and will strengthen the resistance of many members of Congress to giving full self-government to the little District of Columbia enclave, or even possible statehood.

Little Sun dazzles tribes of Israel

From Ian Murray
Jerusalem

The bad jokes were tasteless but very much captured the mood. "He doesn't look very Siouxish," said the American voice in the crowd by the Western (Wailing) Wall. "He's going to be a rabbi and a chief. That will make him a real chief rabbi."

The cameras rolled, the press pressed and the solemn words of the Bar Mitzvah ceremony were drowned by the buzz from the curious crowd. The only calm and dignified person there was the lad aged 13 at the centre of it all: Little Sun Bordeaux of the proud family of Chief Crazy Horse, who led the Sioux tribes to their victory over General George Custer at the battle of Little Bighorn in 1876.

More important to Little Sun than the Sioux blood of his fathers, however, is the Jewish religion of his mother, Mrs Armalona Greenfield. It was for this that he had come from the city of Spokane in far-off Washington to the holy city of Jerusalem for his initiation into adult responsibility.

It was, in fact, his second Bar Mitzvah. The first was a fortnight ago in Spokane for the benefit of his family and friends. Yesterday's one was in large measure for the benefit of El Al Airlines, tourism to Israel, and the press.

Rabbi Yosef Green, assisted by Mr Nachman Kleiman of El Al, led the boy to the table laid out for the ceremony up against the wall. Little Sun was not dressed in the feathered costume he had worn on Monday when he skipped down from the El Al jumbo in his buckskins, but he was wearing a blue and white *kippa* (skull cap).

He was asked to lead the prayers for the Jews in Russia and Arab countries who were unable to visit the wall themselves, but his piping voice could not compete with the whirr of the camera shutters.

While soldiers with guns over their shoulders pushed through for a better look, he was asked to pray for peace. Twice, like the call of the wild, there came the high-pitched ululation of Sephardic women praying, and he looked round from the roll of the Hebrew Scriptures to glimpse the source of a sound so like an Indian war whoop.

In a running series of interviews between parts of the ceremony, the boy said firmly that he was of the family of a Sioux chief but that he would rather be a rabbi, even though he was proud of his Red Indian heritage.

Later, at a press conference in the luxury hotel where he is staying, his mother admitted that her relations with the Sioux tribe were now "zilch". She left Little Sun's father, married a Cheyenne Indian and left the reservation life she does not like.

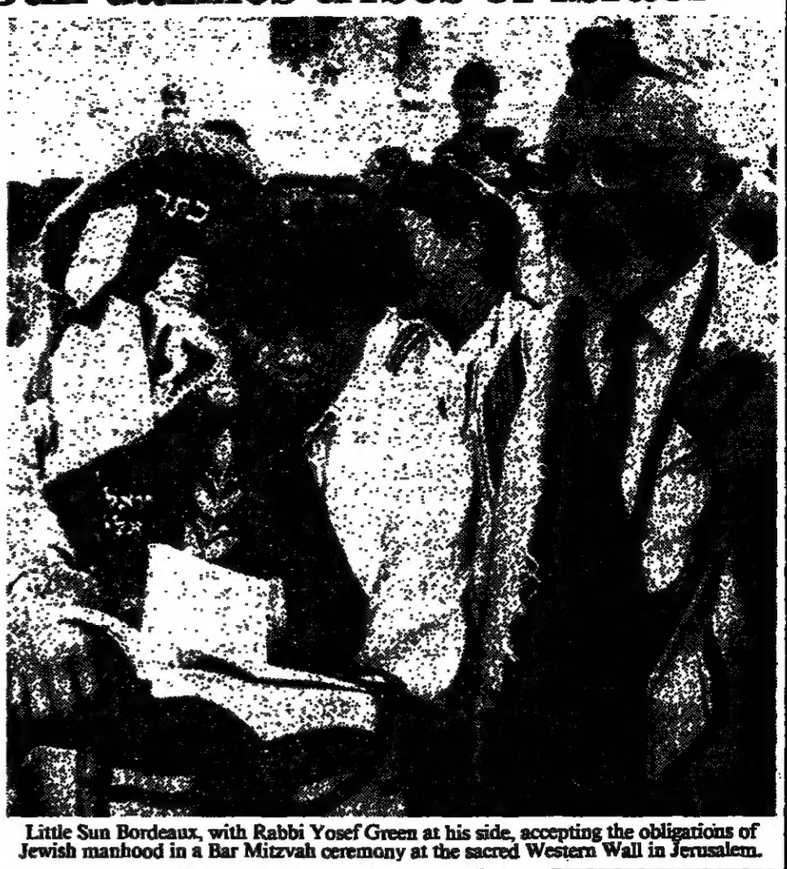
She produced a book showing a photograph of Little Sun's namesake, who she said was his great-great-grandfather. There were no written records at the time Chief Crazy Horse was alive, so there was no way of knowing exactly what his relationship was.

She said the boy's father knew that he was descended from the Crazy Horse family, even if there was no proof that he had ever had any children of his own.

She insisted that Little Sun was the true grandson of Chief Dallas Eagle, who had himself told her that he was of the family of Crazy Horse. There could be no question that Little Sun was going to be a great man himself and would be eligible to be chosen as chief one day.

But Little Sun professed no ambitions to lead the tribe. His grandfather had told him that one day he would be a great man, he said, and because he was half Jewish and half Indian he had had to choose.

"I have picked to be a rabbi," he said, and the man from El Al nodded his approval.



Little Sun Bordeaux, with Rabbi Yosef Green at his side, accepting the obligations of Jewish manhood in a Bar Mitzvah ceremony at the sacred Western Wall in Jerusalem.

Bomb kills Irish officer in Lebanon

From Robert Fisk
Beirut

A lieutenant serving with the Irish contingent of the United Nations peacekeeping force was killed yesterday by a booby-trap bomb apparently intended for Israeli occupation troops.

Lieutenant Angus Murphy, from Tuam in Co. Galway, was on foot patrol with two other Irish soldiers on a dirt track between the villages of At Tiri and Haddatha on the edge of the Israeli occupation zone when the explosives, hidden beside the roadway, blew up beside them.

The two other soldiers were wounded but were last night said to be out of danger.

Lieutenant Murphy, aged 25, was the son of Brigadier-General Murphy, the commanding officer of the Irish Army's Western Command in Galway, and his death is certain to raise further questions in Dublin about the worth — and the human cost — of keeping Ireland's contingent in the UN force in southern Lebanon.

The significance of yesterday's bomb death — Lieutenant Murphy was the 127th UN soldier to die on active service in southern Lebanon — lies in the resurgence of guerrilla activity against the Israelis and their Lebanese militia allies inside and south of the UN zone, and the increased danger in which this places UN troops.

Shortly after the bomb exploded at 7 am yesterday, Irish UN troops found two heavily armed men in the wild area of hills and scrubland, both weighed down with bomb-making equipment.

In the somewhat doubtful security of the local Lebanese gendarmerie station to which they were taken, the two identified themselves as members of the "Lebanese National Resistance". One came from Haddata itself and the other from Sidon, far to the north of the UN zone.

It was unclear whether they were, in fact, Lebanese or Palestinian. Nor was it known from which guerrilla group they came.

Immediately news of Lieutenant Murphy's death became known in Tyre, leaders of the Amal Shia militia expressed their regret at his death, evidence that — if Amal was responsible for the bomb — it had not been directed at the UN. But if the more extreme Hezbollah "Party of God" was behind the explosion, this assumption might be more difficult to sustain.

After Shia militiamen and French UN troops at Marrakeh last week fought a pitched battle in which four Amal men were killed and 18 French soldiers wounded, the UN peacekeeping force in southern Lebanon has been in a state of constant alert.

Irish and Fijian troops were attacked in the aftermath of the conflict with the French, and yesterday Fijian soldiers discovered two more roadside bombs in their zone of operations.

Troops stop attack by Uganda rebels

From Charles Harrison, Nairobi

Government troops have driven off an attack on Gulu, the main town in northern Uganda, by members of the former Uganda Army which was overthrown in a coup last January.

President Museveni said that 30 of the attackers and three members of his National Resistance Army were killed.

Government forces were warned in advance of the dawn attack on Wednesday, but the fighting lasted several hours and the situation in the area is still tense.

Last week there were smaller attacks by former army men who recently returned to Uganda from the Sudan, where they fled earlier this year.

President Museveni said about 1,200 men had challenged his Government. He said he had heard rumours of a pact to overthrow his Government between the former dictator, Idi Amin, who was ousted in 1979, and the former army commander, General Basilio Okello, who fled last January.

Three die in Sind violence

From A Correspondent
Karachi

Sporadic violence continued in Pakistan's southern province of Sind on the third day of anti-government agitation.

In the town of Degri the Army was called in after a clash between police and demonstrators in which three people were reported killed, 24 injured and 23 arrested.

In Karachi, police used tear gas to disperse crowds. Agitators blocked the highways linking Sind with other parts of the country. Train traffic was also disrupted.

Apart from some minor incidents in Rawalpindi and Multan, the Punjab province has remained quiet.

Peres hopeful of peace progress

From Our Own Correspondent, Jerusalem

After months of frustration in his attempts to shift the Middle East peace process forward, Mr Shimon Peres at last feels that things are on the move again.

With six weeks to go before he is due to hand over as Prime Minister to Mr Yitzhak Shamir, he can look forward before then to taking part in an important summit meeting with President Mubarak of Egypt and to welcoming Mr George Shultz, the US Secretary of State, who has signalled that he is now prepared to make a long-promised Middle East tour to add his powerful support to the moves for peace.

Mr Peres now expects to be invited to Egypt for the summit meeting during the first half of next month, and is hopeful that Mr Shultz will be in the area at the same time.

The summit, Mr Peres promised on television, would be "a forward-looking meeting" which would focus on further efforts for peace in the region.

The aim of the summit is to mark the end of the long "cold peace" which has existed between Israel and Egypt despite the Camp David agreement. It will follow the signing of an agreement on how to arbitrate the sovereignty of about 15 border areas, including the resort of Taba on the Gulf of Aqaba.

But at the meeting Mr Peres is bound to press for maximum encouragement from his Egyptian hosts to persuade King Husain of Jordan to follow him to the negotiating table. He will also try to persuade the Egyptian President to follow the Jordanian example and end all co-operation with the Palestine Liberation Organization.

It is often said here that the road to Amman leads through Cairo, and with the road to the Egyptian capital unblocked, the road beyond now looks that much more accessible.

At the same time, the Prime Minister's rush to fit in as much as possible before he hands over has irritated Mr Shamir, who is currently Foreign Minister.

He has protested that arrangements for the summit have been made without any reference to the Foreign Ministry, and that during his visit to Alexandria to see President Mubarak this week, Mr Avraham Tamir, director-general of the Prime Minister's private office, did not even call on the Israeli Ambassador to Egypt, Mr Moshe Sasson.

Mr Peres made no excuse for this beyond saying: "Certain meetings have to be arranged quietly in order to avoid speculation."

This increases the suspicion that when he swops roles with Mr Shamir, Mr Peres may well try to continue to run his own foreign policy without reference to his rival, even though he will then be the head of government.

But Mr David Kimche, the Foreign Ministry director-general, has said that the summit will bring about a new era in relations between the two countries.

Mr Peres: in a rush before handing over power

EEC butter fails to sell at 3p per lb.

From Jonathan Braude
Brussels

EEC butter has proved too expensive at just 3p a lb.

Animal-feed manufacturers have bought only 65 tonnes of the 50,000 tonnes of ageing butter on sale. It was bought from dairies three years ago for more than £2,000 a tonne.

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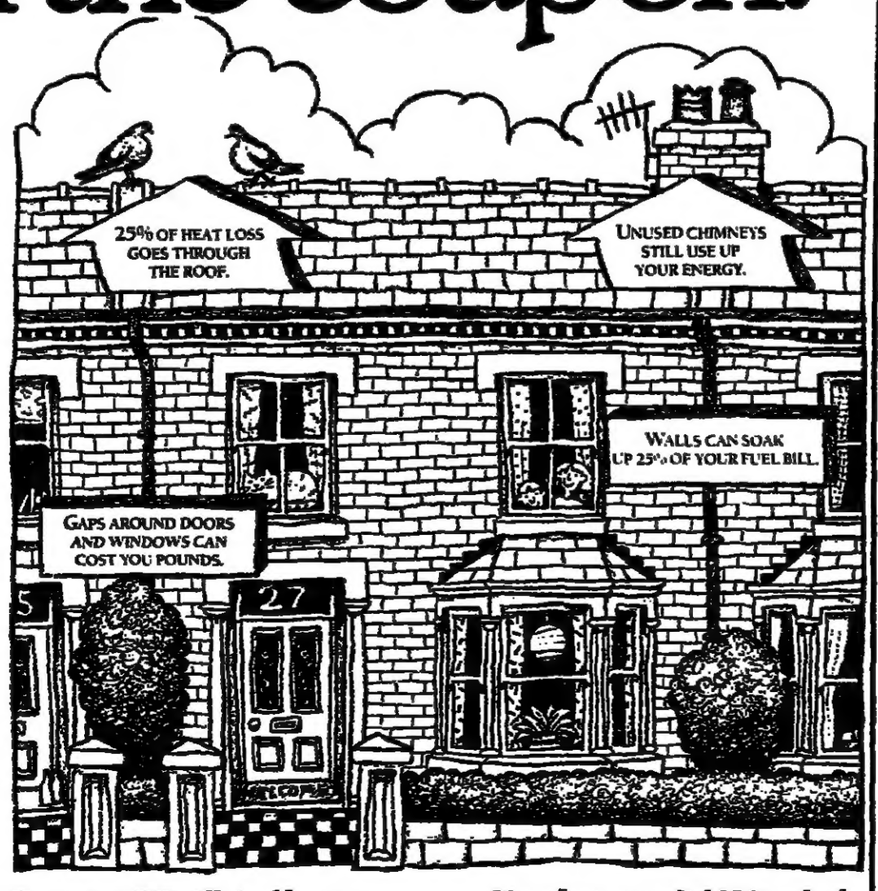

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Court rulings raise opposition hopes

Chileans press for justice

From Lake Sagaris, Santiago

Organizers of the opposition "Day for Justice" this week in Chile were almost cheerful as they celebrated recent court rulings that represent important changes in the courts' approach to cases involving the Government's critics.

For the past two years, Judge Carlos Cerda has been investigating the disappearance of 10 political prisoners in 1976. Last week he indicted four generals, eight colonels, 26 other officers and two civilians. Among them is Air Force General Gustavo Leigh, a former member of the ruling military junta.

On Wednesday evening the court of appeal ordered the suspension of Judge Cerda's investigation until the court decides to accept or reject the defence lawyers' arguments that all suspects are eligible for an amnesty declared in 1978.

The Day for Justice on Wednesday was organized by human rights and opposition groups, including the National Assembly of Civil Society, the biggest opposition group, to protest against the apparent collusion of Chilean courts with the Pinochet regime.

It became a day of hope early in the week when NACS leaders were released on bail.

Hundreds of people gathered at Santiago's central courts on Wednesday to present a demand that judges assume a stance independent of the military Government.

Police dispersed small groups who staged lightning protests and tried to hold a religious service outside the hospital where Señorita Carmen Gloria Quintana is still in grave condition after being severely burnt in protests last month.

Since the 1973 military coup, civilian and military courts have virtually ignored the thousands of *habeas corpus* pleas filed on behalf of people arrested for political reasons.

Political prisoners report routine torture, sometimes resulting in death. The Roman Catholic Church in Chile has documented 650 cases of people who disappeared after their arrest by soldiers or political police.

The mother of Señorita Reinalda Pereira, who was arrested when she was six months' pregnant with her first child, cried as she explained what Judge Cerda's rulings means to her.

"Nothing has ever been clarified before, but now we have a small light of hope," she said, emphasizing how important it is for her to know what really happened to her only daughter and her unborn grandchild.

Another important judicial about-turn came two weeks ago when a military court rejected the Army's version of how two young people, Señorita Quintana and Señor Rodrigo Rojas, a photographer who had been living in the United States, were burnt during a protest in Santiago.

The Army maintained that they had accidentally set fire to themselves, but the court accused the lieutenant in charge of the military patrol involved of using unnecessary violence, resulting in the death of Señor Rojas and severe injuries to Señorita Quintana.

Breaking with the traditional ironclad unity of the Chilean armed forces, police and Air Force representatives voted with two civilian judges against the Army's representative on the bench.

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Blow for Lange as poll shows big support for Anzus pact

From Richard Long, Wellington

New Zealand's Labour Government received a blow to its anti-nuclear policies yesterday when the Defence Inquiry Committee made public a poll showing 52 per cent of the public in favour of continued membership of the Anzus alliance.

New Zealand has effectively been drummed out of the tripartite alliance with the United States and Australia because of its refusal to accept visits by nuclear-armed or nuclear-powered warships.

The review committee, set up by the Government last year to analyse public opinion on defence, recommended an enhanced bilateral defence relationship with Australia to compensate in part for the loss of the American connection.

This would satisfy in part the 72 per cent of those polled who want collective security, and would not conflict with the 73 per cent who want the country to remain nuclear-free, the committee said.

The poll is the most detailed ever undertaken on defence views. The Opposition leader, Mr Jim Bolger, said it showed a vote for realism and common sense, and that the Government had no mandate to take the country out of Anzus.

But Mr David Lange, the Prime Minister, pointed to the 69 per cent of those polled who opposed visits by nuclear warships, citing this as support for his Government's policies.

The committee chairman, Mr Frank Corner, a former foreign affairs secretary, said the committee did not urge a return to full Anzus membership because of the divisions this would bring to an already divided society. Instead it had opted for the "Hobson's choice" of an enhanced relationship with Australia.

But the committee chided the Government for "mistakes" in negotiating with the Americans over the warship visits. Future inquiries should precede rather than follow major policy changes, it said. Anzus had been "widely misrepresented" by those occupying "positions of high authority".

Mr Lange, who had demanded explanations for these comments, had his letters published as an addendum to the committee's report, along with its replies.

The poll found 37 per cent in favour of Anzus with nuclear ship visits, 44 per cent in favour of Anzus without nuclear ship visits, and 16 per cent opposed to Anzus.

The Government's problems came when the 44 per cent grouping made a choice between Anzus and no Anzus. The result gave the final 52-44 per cent vote in favour of the alliance. Newspapers here interpreted this as a vote for Anzus.

Mr Lange questioned the methodology involved in the second-choice option and claimed that the eight-point majority was inside the poll's margin for error. The pollsters promptly replied that the methodology was quite proper, and that the margin for error was only 2.5 per cent.

Iranians break up 'terrorist networks'

Tehran (Reuter) – Iran's internal security chief yesterday announced the break-up of several "terrorist networks" linked with Iraq, including one held responsible for a car bomb explosion in the holy city of Qom last week.

"Those who brought the bomb from Iraq and those who planted it in Qom have been arrested," the Information (Intelligence) Minister, Mr Muhammad Muhammadi Reyshahri, told Tehran radio.

Thirteen people were killed and 100 injured in Saturday's blast outside a Shia Muslim shrine in Qom.

Another car bomb killed 20 and injured at least 80 in a central Tehran square on Tuesday.

"The Iraqi intelligence system provides facilities and huge amounts of money to all counter-revolutionary groups . . . and they play their role in the bombings," Mr Reyshahri said.

He said the same network was responsible for at least four previous explosions in Qom and one in Tehran

Mr Reyshahri said a plan by a different group to explode bombs at a Friday prayer meeting in Tehran and four economic centres last month was foiled and its members arrested, together with a third group involved in previous explosions in Tehran.

Mrs Aquino, left, unveiling a marker at Manila airport, where her husband died. On her left is Mrs Coretta King.

Memorial to murder that awoke a nation

Aquino in tribute to her husband

From Keith Dalton, Manila

President Aquino led tens of thousands of Filipinos in observing yesterday the third anniversary of the murder of her husband, Benigno, by unveiling a granite marker at the airport tarmac where he was killed.

The 6 ft-long slab, bearing the silhouette likeness of his prostrate body, was imbedded at the spot where Mr Benigno "Ninoy" Aquino fell dead after being shot in the head, allegedly by a member of a military escort.

"The nation was awakened by that deafening shot," Mrs Aquino later told a huge crowd at Rizal Park in the city's centre. "Thanks to all of you, his offering of his life was not in vain."

Mrs Aquino and her family accompanied by Mrs Coretta King, widow of the assassinated American civil rights leader, Dr Martin Luther King, had earlier attended a memorial service at the Santo Domingo Church.

"It took three long years before we could see the fruits of Ninoy's sacrifice," the Archbishop of Manila, Cardinal Jaime Sin, told 8,000 people who gave a standing ovation to the woman who ended the 20-year Marcos regime.

Chants of "Cory, Cory" erupted as the Rizal Park crowd was showered with yellow confetti from two Air Force helicopters. Families came to the rally in yellow T-shirts waving balloons, flags and streamers in Mrs Aquino's campaign colour.

● Peace talks: Mrs Aquino is making the first attempt in a decade to try to negotiate an end to a Muslim war in the southern Philippines. In 15 years of sporadic fighting, more than 60,000 people have been killed.

Mr Agapito Aquino, the President's brother-in-law, has flown to Saudi Arabia for preliminary peace talks beginning in Jeddah at the weekend with the chief Muslim rebel leader, Mr Nur Misuari, chairman of the Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF).

Mr Misuari, who is said to control a 5,000-strong rebel army, ordered a ceasefire two weeks ago. His chief international supporter, Colonel Gadaffi, the Libyan leader, has offered Mrs Aquino his assistance in ending the guerrilla war on the island of Mindanao and the Sulu archipelago.

As the President's special emissary, Mr Aquino said his top priority was to "convince the MNLF that the Government is sincere in its desire to find a lasting solution to the war in Mindanao" where most of the country's five million Muslims live.

Bank code of Marcos uncovered

Honolulu (AFP) – Mr Ferdinand Marcos, the ousted Philippine President, and his wife Imelda used an elaborate code to pass messages to overseas representatives about secret foreign bank accounts, it was reported here yesterday.

The *Honolulu Advertiser* said it had obtained copies of documents presented to the Philippines Commission on Good Government which contained details of these codes.

The paper said the documents, copies of which were sent to Mr Marcos at his exile home here, included descriptions of clandestine communications, codes and false names used when he was President.

These showed that they opened secret accounts with the Swiss Credit Bank in 1968, making deposits and withdrawals under the names William Saunders and Jane Ryan.

If they wanted to make withdrawals from the accounts they sent a "happy birthday" message to a representative in Zurich, Switzerland.

This agent would then contact his representative in Hong Kong, who would then presumably travel to Manila for instructions.

● HONOLULU: Mr Marcos underwent a 40-minute cataract operation on his right eye, a spokesman for him said (Reuter reports).

US crowds flock to holy image

Fostoria, Ohio (UPI) – An image of Jesus Christ said to appear each sunset on the side of a storage tank near Toledo has drawn a nightly pilgrimage of the curious and the devout to a soybean-processing plant.

The lifesize image of a long-haired, bearded man, clothed in a white robe, and the profile of a young child appear on the side of a 30 ft-high soybean oil storage tank owned by Archer Daniels Midland, witnesses say.

Company officials attribute the apparition to a combination of shadows, light and steam vapours from the soybean-processing plant.

On Wednesday night, hundreds of cars again lined Ohio Route 12 outside the plant, causing a traffic jam.

"It's a miracle," one person said. "Just look at the people. Everybody needs a miracle."

Hundreds of people, some with children in their arms and others on blankets, gathered in the ditches along the roadway to view the apparition, which witnesses say appears only after sunset.

"It's just rust on the tank," said a plant employee.

The Rev James Bacik, a Roman Catholic theologian and pastor at the University of Toledo, said he believes natural causes are responsible for the image.

Ex-rebel leads new India state

Delhi (Reuter) – A tribal guerrilla leader who fought the Indian Government for more than 20 years was sworn in yesterday as Chief Minister of India's newest state.

The Mizo National Front leader, Mr Laldenga, became Chief Minister of Mizoram as part of an agreement signed on June 30 to end the guerrilla war, the Press Trust of India said.

Under the agreement the state's ruling Congress (I) Party formed a coalition government with the MNF, with Mr Laldenga as Chief Minister pending new elections.

The pact ensured statehood for Mizoram, which was previously governed as a territory by the central Government. The statehood Bill was approved by Parliament in Delhi on August 5.

India's Home Minister, Mr Buta Singh, told Parliament before the Bill was passed that at least 575 of an estimated 700 guerrillas had handed in their weapons.

● **Curfew enforced:** A strict curfew was enforced in the Gujarat city of Baroda to prevent violence between Hindus and Muslims after seven people were killed in the past 36 hours. The Press Trust of India said "an uneasy calm" prevailed in the city yesterday morning.

Baseball fever fires Japanese emotions

From David Watts, Tokyo

Only two things cut through the torpor of late summer in Japan: the buzzing of cicadas and the tension of the annual senior high school baseball championship.

The sky is a uniform, polluted grey lid that traps beneath it temperatures in the 90s with humidity to match.

A few minutes' walk reduces clothes to a sodden mass. Here and there Japan's ubiquitous salarymen duck out of it into electrical shops to watch the high school final in progress.

There is nothing directly comparable in Britain. The metallic plunk of baseball on metal bat replaces that of leather on willow and for Japanese is just as emotive.

The closest parallel might be a notional schoolboy Test match drawing teams from every corner of the country.

But the atmosphere of a Test match, even today, is quite unlike the sort of hysteria that boiled over yesterday when the championship went to Tenri, a high school from western Japan, for the first time in its 12 appearances among the last 49 at the Koshien stadium in Osaka.

At times it appears everyone is in tears – winners, losers and some of the spectators.

Anyone who thought a Japanese incapable of letting down his emotional guard could be forgiven for thinking the crowd yesterday was Latin rather than Oriental, were it not for the precision of the chanting.

It is a contest that leaves hardly any Japanese untouched: not only are there young heroes battling for supremacy in a country that sets great store by disciplined team effort but they are all hometown boys.

The sweating salaryman goes back to his boyhood ambitions on the baseball diamond, the housewife to the days when she was in the stands cheering a boy-friend, or even cheerleading on the touchline in a brief orange uniform.

This year the 68th championship kept alive the samurai spirit through a young pitcher who carried on doggedly despite a painful elbow while the batter hit him all over the field.

But reminders of the discipline on which success is based were never far away: several players were dismissed from the contest and their manager resigned after they were caught smoking.

The final confrontation was suitably close for two teams who had fought their way through the starting field of 3,847 teams from Japan's 47 prefectures since the end of June.

Each prefecture sends one team to Koshien with the exceptions of Tokyo and Hokkaido, which send two, for a total of 49 teams. They arrived at the stadium on August 4 for the final, exhausting run-in to the moment yesterday when superb fielding and throwing by Tenri earned it a 3-2 victory.

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Jews who hate the Jews

A miniature 'holy war' provoked by Ultra-Orthodox Jews of different sects in Israel has more to do with money than the Old Testament, writes Ian Murray

Photographs by Leonard Freed/Magnum

"Despite the tiny rooms, families of seven children are usual in Ultra Orthodox families. It is a very limited existence, especially for youngsters"

In their big fur hats and striped Sunday coats, the most extreme Ultra-Orthodox Jews are known as "zebras". Their fellow Jerusalemites consider they are a bigger problem than the Arabs.

Recent opinion polls show that the aggressive behaviour of these determined enemies of Israel is seen as a real danger to the safety of the state. According to one poll, they are "unacceptable" to 67 per cent of the national population.

The Ultra-Orthodox community is also growing much faster, proportionately, than the less religious or secular Jews. There are now more than 85,000 of them among the 330,000 Jews in the city, and they have grown by 30,000 in the past decade. This means that they need to find housing away from their traditional quarters centred on the Mea She'arim district.

Fears that the Ultra-Orthodox will rise in force and impose their rules on everyday life has led to mass demonstrations against the building of a synagogue at French Hill, a modern suburb to the north-east of the city. Without a synagogue in walking distance, an Ultra-Orthodox Jew would not be able to live there.

Secular protection societies have been set up, protests have been organized and recently a mass demonstration was held at the Knesset, sponsored by the religious kibbutz movement, backed by the Chief Rabbis and addressed by President Chaim Herzog and Anatoly Shcharansky. The Soviet dissident told the crowd: "We have overcome the pogroms and fires from without. Now we must put out the fires from within."

The Chief Rabbis, though, did not attend. A mixed choir of religious and non-religious kibbutz members was due to sing there, and the leaders of the Orthodox community dared not be seen in such company. The Ultra-Orthodox have got the Chief Rabbis running scared.

It is wrong to classify all the Ultra-Orthodox as being the same. There are dozens of different groups, which adds to their extremism. Rafi Davara is the official at Jerusalem City Hall who has to referee between them. "They all compete", he explains. "They cannot allow anyone to be more extreme than they are, so they all keep with whoever makes the most demands."

The most extreme total no more than 5,000 and live in or around Mea She'arim. They are members of Neturai Kartah, who have developed a flair down the years for outrageous protests and actions which keep them at the forefront of public attention.

Their founder, Rabbi Amram Blau, once asked President Nixon to free the community from Israeli control. Followers have won exemption from national service, have refused to pay income tax, issue their own passports and have their own "foreign minister", a white-bearded rabbi from New Jersey called Moshe Hirsh, who has a brilliant flair for publicity.

They are in regular contact with the Palestine Liberation Organization and recently received a thank-you letter from Yassir Arafat for expressing their condolences after Israel's bombing raid on the organization's Tunis headquarters last October.

They have prevented the building of a new football stadium for Jerusalem, and threw stones at so many cars using a road near their district on the Sabbath that a £15 million bypass had to be built. A freelance photographer used to be contacted by them every Friday evening and tipped off as to where the stone-throwing would be heaviest. His pictures of armed police charging into harmless-looking groups were bought by the "zebras" and posted off to America, where they helped to raise sympathy and funds.

According to Rafi Davara, a main reason behind all the aggression is the need to raise money to feed the community. The men rarely work and the women cannot earn enough to keep them. They rely heavily for survival on donations and, in some cases, on government money.

Neturai Kartah honours its principles, and members do not accept social security money from the state of Israel, which they do not acknowledge. Their financial needs are therefore even greater. This leads them into protests which fuel the publicity they need for fund-raising, especially among conscientious Jews living overseas.

Although the group is tiny, its lead is followed by tens of thousands of Jews on many of the issues which it takes up. It wins support because of a deep feeling that the community stands by the religious ideals which helped Judaism to survive and led to the establishment of the state of Israel.

Among those influenced by Neturai Kartah are the small religious parties which have members in the Knesset. Keeping the religious parties happy has in turn become a preoccupation of the main parties, who know that they can never form their own government without this extra support.

The sale of pork, playing soccer on the sabbath and serving kosher food in the army all become national issues which a major political party must wrestle with if it is to stay in power. And although it may seem ridiculous to the outside world, the burning of bus shelters by the Ultra-Orthodox protesting at pictures of girls in swimsuits has to be taken seriously by the political parties.

According to Rafi Davara at City Hall, there is a further reason for the Ultra-Orthodox aggression over this. He believes that the pictures of the women represent a real danger to the small community, which is so protected from modern life.

"From kindergarten at the age of three, boys spend at least 10 hours a day in study"

The big pendulum clock looks down on the tiny square showing its motto in Hebrew and English. "This Torah clock is not under Zionist influence", it says. The clock has stopped, and time itself appears to have stood still around it for a century and more.

It stands atop a jeweller's shop at the corner of Ein Ya'acov Street facing a fluorescent orange poster proclaiming "Nazionism Is Racism". This is the heart of Mea She'arim, the Ultra-Orthodox citadel half-a-mile or so outside the old city walls, where the writ of Israeli law does not run, but where many of those arrested for defacing and burning Jerusalem bus shelters live.

The old walls round the district manage to keep out a great deal of the twentieth century, with the help of large numbers of posters. These urge residents to "kill the tax collectors", to refuse autopsies, and to make sure nobody enters the area immodestly dressed. Men must have their heads covered. Women must have skirts below the knee and high on the neck, and show no arms above the elbow.

Inhabitants are mostly supporters of Neturai Kartah, an Aramaic phrase meaning "guardians of the city", founded 70 years ago by those who believe that Zionism is contrary to biblical teaching because there can be no Jewish state until the coming of the Messiah. Content to live under Turkish and British rule, the group saw in Zionism a profanity which became a reality with the creation of Israel.

For this reason, the group encourages the PLO to bring back Arab rule. If that were to happen, they believe, the Messiah would come quickly to save them, for there is no celestial urgency as long as Jerusalem is ruled by Jews.

In recent years, the group has become readier to resort to stone-throwing, arson and other violent methods to defend their way of life.

For boys, that way begins when they enter the *heder* (kindergarten) from the age of three to start learning simple Hebrew Bible texts. By the time they are seven, they are learning civil and ceremonial law in Aramaic in their first *yeshiva* (Bible school).

They stay there until their arranged marriages, at about the age of 18, when they enter their adult *yeshiva*, where they spend most of their rest of their lives in study. From the *heder* onwards, they spend at least 10 hours a day over their books.

Men do not work, and for the most part the women have to look after the children. Despite the tiny rooms and houses, families of seven children and more are usual.

Television is frowned on, it is rare to hear a radio, and a newspaper stall nearby has been burnt out more than once. The owner believes it is to stop newspapers being read as much to protest at any pictures of girls they might contain.

It is a very limited existence, especially for the young people, who have no real outlet for their normal energies beyond joining in demonstrations.

I sold it through the grapevine

Soundalike singers with yesterday's songs are selling everything from jeans to cars to beefburgers, as advertisers discover the power of rock and pop

Pop music sells — and not just records. For years, advertisers have recognised the potency of cheap music as a hidden persuader. But now the ad music industry is taking off. The whole history of pop and rock is being harvested.

One of the centres of this new industry is in Islington, north London. There, with all the perfection expected in a recording studio, the voice of Kate Robbins, a cousin of Paul McCartney, snaps and whimpers from gigantic speakers. Her 30-second track features a threatening rhythm and strutting, contemptuous vocals in the manner of Grace Jones. It is not immediately apparent that Ms Robbins is hawking hair conditioner.

The soundtrack for a new *Cream Silk* commercial is being mixed. Listening with a laid-back intensity are Karl Jenkins and Mike Ratledge, members of Soft Machine until its demise four years ago and now the most spectacularly influential bands discreetly revealed their O-levels or better. Jenkins points out that he has a classical music background.

But rock, in all its variations, is the dominant form in their work. At first this seems bizarre — why should ancient soul classics sell jeans to teenagers? In the past every previous new musical wave usually consigned the previous wave to oblivion.

What has happened is that with ageing rockers still popular, vastly increased air time and the bland qualities of most of today's music, the young can recognise music from the past 30 years.

Pop and rock find their way into ads in a variety of ways. Coca-Cola's worldwide hit "I'd Like to Teach the World to Sing" in the early 1970s came from an almost unknown song called "True Love and Apple Pie" which the company bought in to use as a radio ad.

In other cases the lyrics are changed to fit the product, producers of advertising music. They have been responsible for the "Wonderful World" and "I Heard It Through The Grapevine" recreations which transformed Levi jeans. More recently they backed the Renault 21 ad with Jack Bruce singing "I Feel Free."

It was clear from the beginning that using the original Sam Cooke and Marvin Gaye records would cost too much. So Jenkins and Ratledge had to produce exact replicas down to the recording hiss. They hired old-fashioned valve equipment to duplicate the production techniques of the originals. For "I Feel Free" their rock contacts enabled them to employ the original singer — Bruce — but with a new and not quite identical arrangement.

They are a taciturn pair. Now aged 41 and 42, they are both heavily moustachioed and long-haired in the manner of the Woodstock Generation, and they are both instantly defensive at any suggestion that advertising is an activity inferior to rock 'n' roll or indeed to anything else. And, just like in the old days when "progressive" bands discreetly revealed their O-levels or better, Jenkins points out that he has a classical music background.

Jean genius: Sixties serenade for Levi lover in a launderette

SOUND INVESTMENTS

Coca Cola: I'd Like to Teach the World to Sing/New Seekers
British Caledonian: California (Caledonia) Girls/Beach Boys
Edam cheeses: Great Balls of Fire (Cheese)/Jerry Lee Lewis
Pirelli tyres: Riders on the Storm/The Doors
DHL couriers: Ain't No Mountain High Enough/Diana Ross
Farleys rusks: Wake Up Little Susie (Snoozy)/Everly Brothers
Wimpy burgers: Come on Over to My Place/Drifters
Youngs sea food: The Young(s) Ones/Cliff Richard
National Westminster: Pinball Wizard/The Who
Rowntrees jelly: Shakin' All Over/Johnny Kidd
The Guardian: Puppet on a String/Sandie Shaw
British Rail: Every Breath You Take/The Police
Bassetts jelly babies: What do you want/Adam Faith
Renault 5: Speedy Gonzalez/Pat Boone
Eucryl toothpaste: Tobacco Road/Nashville Teens

Rocking back to happiness: from left, Sandie Shaw, the Everly Brothers and Adam Faith, golden oldies dusted off

But rewriting tends to devalue the impact of the recognisable song. It seems to be more potent to retain the original more or less intact. Last year, for example, Pirelli made tyres seem haunting and fascinating with a recreation of The Doors' "Riders on the Storm" and DHL is selling a delivery service with a version of The Supremes' "Ain't No Mountain High Enough." Elsewhere, Farleys Rusks has taken on "Wake Up Little Susie", Concorde Wine is using "Let the Good Times Roll" and Wimpy is selling burgers with "Come on Over to My Place".

An advanced form of this type of ad has been used by Renault, British Rail, Bassetts and Eucryl. They sell respectively the Renault 5, train tickets, jelly babies and toothpaste by stringing together snatches of re-created pop songs.

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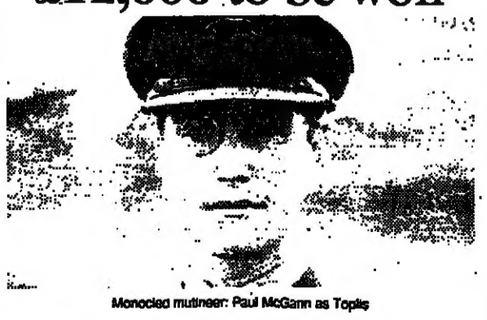

Monocled mutineer: Paul McGann as Toplis

Tearaway Toplis

Wanted for desertion (on numerous occasions) and impersonating an officer (occasionally), Percy Toplis crammed a remarkable amount of petty crime into his 23 years. Toplis, anarchist and anti-hero of the First World War, is set to become a folk hero in 'The Monocled Mutineer', Alan Bleasdale's latest work for television

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Carnival of the heart and soul

The Notting Hill carnival, which opens on Sunday, owes its colourful origins to Caribbean slaves and sugar harvesting

The million or so visitors expected on Sunday and Monday at the 21st Notting Hill Carnival have to thank Caribbean slave plantation workers for the origin of the event, which was a celebration of the sugar cane harvest before being assimilated into their owners' Shrove Tuesday festivities.

Trinidad leads and inspires the Anglophone calendar, which extends through the other West Indian islands to Toronto, London and New York. In all these places, Trinidadians form the core of carnival participants, and taking part in the carnival itself is only the culmination of months of activity.

No sooner have one year's discarded costumes been swept from the streets than plans begin for the following year. To Trinidadians, carnival means fun, obviously, but serious and potent fun which subsumes high creativity and the liberation of the spirit from the constraints of an often mean, hum-drum or unequal daily existence.

To city administrations, carnival means big bucks and subsidies are normally forthcoming (£100,000 from various sources for London, much more in Trinidad, but nothing in New York).

While carnival committees are talking sponsorship, organization and community politics, thousands of individuals are preparing for the various categories of competition which take place not only "on the road" (at two judging points on the carnival procession route) but at the preceding gala weekend.

Wonder full: joy is of the essence for Notting Hill revellers

This year the location was a complex of circus tents behind Wormwood Scrubs prison. Throughout Sunday evening, accompanied by booming soca music (a fusion of soul and calypso), a succession of pretenders to the titles of King and Queen of the Bands, and Best Male and Female Individuals sashayed their glittering costumes across the stage. (Band in this context means Costume Band, a group of up to 150 masqueraders united by a common theme and designer.)

Anyone can join a band simply by turning up at its "camp" (usually a school or church hall) a few months before carnival, putting up the money for a costume (£25, say, subsidized in some cases by modest arts council grants) and "playing 'mas".

In Trinidad, top designers like Peter Minshall create complex tableaux of up to 1,000 people and receive national acclaim. In London the scope is more limited but the costumes still arouse intense rivalry and controversy. Sunday's crop at Wormwood Scrubs ranged from modest renditions of traditional characters such as Pierrot, the Fancy Sailor, to 30-foot-high phantasmagoria in bamboo, silk and tinsel.

Some of the structures were so extensive that they needed wheels and runners to support them, but the real art is in creating a costume, like Minshall's beautiful "Callaloo Dancing Tic Tac Toe Down de River", which moves with its wearer to the music that is the fundamental heartbeat of carnival. Numerous costume bands follow a steel band, and last Saturday's Panorama was for these players of the pans. A steel band needs anything up to 50 dedicated amateur musicians, a tuner, a leader, an arranger/director and, if possible, a sponsor.

The Panorama competition was preceded by the Brassorama, contested by "brass" bands which usually consist of a four-piece brass section with electric guitar, bass and keyboards and assorted percussion.

The bands play soca, the main features of which are a hard bouncing beat, a limited range of melodic formulae and flaring brass interludes which inspire listeners to raise their arms to the sky and "move their waists".

Brass bands also provide the backing for the calypso singers. Competitions for calypsonians are judged on the basis of musical arrangement, presentation and, above all, lyrics, which must be new each year. In addition to the amateur London calypsonians, there are several members of the international calypso circus in town. These singers and artistes travel from one carnival to another and will be heading for Brooklyn next week.

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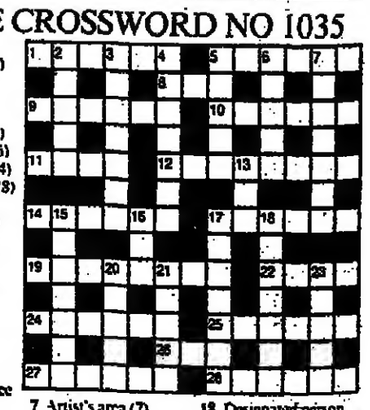

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The other 'other woman'

Boss and secretary often spend more time together than with their spouses. Heather Kirby talked to four such pairs about their office 'marriages'

Photographs by Ros Drinkwater

Business partners: John Debnitz with his secretary Rita Buckley (left) and Peter Gummer with Angela Lello

Like nurses, the importance and scope of what secretaries do varies from the inconsequential to the life-saving. And like nurses, whose professionalism is often obscured by the angels-in-black-stockings imagery, the worth of a top secretary gets scant regard, thanks largely to the lingering image of dolly birds enjoying a romp behind the filing cabinet at the office party.

The two are not of the same breed, yet the image of the latter must have caused some discomfort to the former when it was recently suggested by a City recruitment consultant that a secretary's relationship with her boss is like a marriage. The fact remains, none the less, that the higher up the ladder the boss climbs, the closer must the relationship become.

Diana Duggan, a director of City Recruitment Consultants and herself a former secretary, says: "The average boss-secretary relationship occupies more hours of the day than the average husband-wife relationship and is very much like a marriage. In fact, in many ways, his secretary will be closer to him than his wife because she knows honestly what his standing is within the company.

"So our role can be likened to a marriage bureau. We remove the dangers of a 'blind date' by eliminating those secretaries who, though good, will not suit a particular client. He won't, for instance, want to employ someone with an interest in amateur dramatics if he knows she has to work late two or three evenings a week. It's our job to see that the boss and his secretary don't end up with an office 'divorce'."

A good secretary, she says, can command £10,000 to £14,000 a year, has no company car but is often ferried to and fro by her boss's chauffeur, is given such perks as first-night theatre tickets and is often on first name terms with the rich and famous.

Peter Gummer, who heads Shandwick Communications, a public relations company with 500 clients, endorses some of those views. "My wife would certainly support the statement that I spend more time with my secretary **Angela Lello** than I do with her. I begin work at 7 and finish at 7. Angela is here by 8, but she always leaves after me.

"A relationship which works has to involve a combination of closeness and aloofness. To get things done at speed you have to have a healthy respect for each other. A good secretary can make sure that you keep the home situation to the fore, give you a nudge that you have cancelled that dinner date twice. She acts as your conscience.

"If I have had a beastly week I will buy her a bunch of flowers, but that is about the extent of my chivalry. I never take her out for lunch because I should think she has far better things to do."

Angela, who is 42 and married with three sons, says: "There is a subtle difference in the office 'marriage' between a boss and his secretary — your emotions are not involved. It is very important to get on with the wife, however. You are the link between office and home and have to be able to put it very nicely that he is going to be late for dinner.

"Secretaries have to be a little subservient. The boss is always right, but if you believe he is a little wrong, there are many subtle ways in which you can deal with that!"

John Debnitz, aged 36, the managing director of Valin Pollen, a financial communications company, says of his secretary **Rita Buckley**: "There is a strong understanding between the two of us. There is no question that chemistry is important in a close working relationship, but it is not an emotional love relationship.

"I take considerable trouble over buying presents for her and every two weeks I go out and buy her a box of chocolates. There is an element of an ally relationship between your wife and your secretary. My wife knows full well there are things I may forget, so she wouldn't hesitate to call Rita."

Rita says: "John very often takes me out to lunch at a good restaurant, the same sort of place he would take a client." Her boyfriend often has to bear with her cancelling theatre at the last minute when work goes on late, but she says there are compensations. "John treats me very much as an equal person. He is willing to listen to my point of view and take it into account."

Sir Peter Parker, chairman of the Rockware Group (former chairman of British Rail) has taken his secretary, **Gwen Cowan**, from one boardroom to another for 30 years, but he does not agree with the marriage analogy.

"Gwen is part of the family and it is confusing to bring in fancy words like marriage", he says. "It is much more like brother and sister. If the relationship has been fun all along, it will last.

"I have very few departmental walls in my life; you could call me an industrial farmer. Farmers don't have office hours, their whole life is what they do, and I live like that. Gwen and I know each other and trust each other utterly. She orchestrates my work. People say you can't get Peter because Gwen won't let you, but she has to see to it that I am coping with the right things when there is 360 degrees of pressure."

Gwen, who is married to a retired civil servant and is a founder-member of the European Association of Professional Secretaries, says: "You do tend to live in each other's pockets for a considerable part of the day. The longer you are with them, the more you get inside their mind. You know their reactions to certain situations, so when people say 'Do you think he might...?', you instinctively know when he'll want you to get out of that.

"The boss-secretary relationship could not work if you didn't have a good rapport with his wife as well. Personal things like remembering to get the wife's or children's birthday presents are put to one side in the life of a top businessman."

Calum Macaskill, the operations director of the Halifax building society, has had the same secretary, **Elaine Schofield**, for 15 years. "A boss-secretary relationship is like a marriage in that it requires excellent communication and willing co-operation", he says.

"I buy her modest presents at Christmas and on birthdays, but it's more than my job's worth to take her out to lunch. Halifax is a small village! I rely on her to organize my daily business life entirely, and in terms of business decisions I will consult her as a consumer.

"Men who employ secretaries as status symbols are indicating their own immaturity and bolstering their own delusions of grandeur."

"He is a very easy man to work for", says Elaine. "When you have been together for a long time, your relationship is so close you think like one another, so you don't have to ask a lot of questions all the time.

"If I am left for days on end to make decisions about him and his life, he tends not to go bananas if I make the wrong one. He is a very thoughtful and generous man and sometimes he has to resort to a gift voucher because he runs out of ideas for me."

'No doubt that chemistry is important'
JOHN DEBNITZ

'It's more like brother and sister'
SIR PETER PARKER

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Another warning for the high-peak climbers

British climbers Julie Tullis and Alan Rouse, like many modern day mountaineers, were not carrying oxygen when they died of exhaustion in a storm on K2 earlier this month.

According to Dennis Gray, general secretary of the British Mountaineering Council, this undoubtedly contributed to their death. It is a tragic reminder of the dangers climbers face when they see it as "more challenging" or "more rewarding" to attempt very high peaks without a backup oxygen supply.

As a recent article in *The Lancet* pointed out, climbing without oxygen could not only put climbers in immediate danger. They may also risk longer-lasting effects. The author Dr John West, from the University of California, says that there is growing evidence to suggest that climbing without oxygen can cause permanent brain damage.

A study of 21 members of the American Medical Research Expedition to Everest, published in 1984, showed that after three months at 5400 to 8848 metres, members had co-ordination and memory abnormalities which lasted for up to a year.

In another study, six Polish climbers who went higher than 5500 metres in the Himalayas showed immediate signs of brain disfunction as well as changes in mood and memory which lasted several weeks.

"Many doctors believe that professional boxing should be discouraged because of the possibility of brain injury. Perhaps the present fashion for climbing to extreme altitudes without supplementary oxygen falls into the same category", Dr West says.

MEDICAL BRIEFING

Rugger bugs

As rugby training gears up for the new season, players are being asked to honour a "gentleman's agreement" on a simple health measure. Doctors in the department of microbiology of St Thomas's Hospital, London, are asking teams not to field players who have signs of a skin infection.

The Lancet *reports that two seasons ago, five members of the St Thomas's scrum developed impetigo, after playing a team which had the infection. But the problem didn't stop there.*

The condition, caused by Streptococcus pyogenes, *led to inflamed glands in one player and an acute kidney infection in the other.*

The doctors suggest that scrum players are prone to infection because they are in frequent close contact with other players and because their skin is often damaged during the game.

They say "the obvious preventative measure is the enforcement of a gentleman's agreement not to field player with skin sepsis".

For players who suffer a cut or graze they suggest that the disinfectant chlorhexidine should be applied after the match and for a couple of further days. An alternative would be an alcohol based disinfectant or iodine — also useful against other infections.

Speedy recovery

People with foot and ankle injuries may soon no longer need to rely on cumbersome crutches to get around, thanks to an imaginative patient.

When Michael Reid, managing director of John Reid & Sons (Strucsteel) Limited, Christchurch, Dorset, found himself in hospital with an injured foot and discovered how awkward crutches can be, he devised the "orthopaedic scooter", which has now gone into production.

The scooter, on which the sufferer patient kneels, keeps the injured foot elevated (doctors say it heals better this way and patients say it is less painful) and allows easy mobility.

One orthopaedic surgeon who asked for an early model was Professor Angus Wallace of the University Hospital, Nottingham. He liked the idea so much that he has started a clinical trial to see just who might benefit most from the device.

His impression so far is that the scooter will not replace crutches entirely and that it is not suitable for people who have to climb stairs or for elderly people who may have balance problems. But he feels that patients who have had a crush injury or surgery to the foot could benefit greatly.

Professor Wallace also thinks that there appears to be a group of patients for whom the device can enable an early return to work — including one of the three surgeons who have tried the scooter — he used it while he was operating.

Breath of stress

People facing a stressful situation are very often told that taking a few deep breaths "will help them to stay calm". But for people who unknowingly suffer from a condition called hyperventilation syndrome, this may be the worst possible advice.

For these patients hyperventilation can bring on unpleasant symptoms such as giddiness, palpitations, breathing difficulties and nausea.

The problems arise because deep breathing at rest forces the carbon-dioxide concentration in the blood to unusually low levels and this affects the brain.

Doctors now suspect that it may be quite common. Several studies have shown that young adults — and women in particular — tend to be most at risk.

According to Dr George Perkin, consultant neurologist at the Charing Cross Hospital, London, stress is the trigger. But many sufferers remain completely unaware that they are responding to stress by overbreathing. They and their doctors fear, quite wrongly, that something is seriously awry.

In a series of patients with hyperventilation syndrome attending the hospital, suggested diagnoses included epilepsy, multiple sclerosis, migraine and a brain tumor.

Happily, says Dr Perkin, once the correct diagnosis is made and patients understand what is happening, many can control the situation.

Some need help with underlying psychological problems but for many sufferers relaxation therapy, which concentrates on teaching improved breathing techniques, works well.

Lorraine Fraser and Olivia Timbs

Home is a tear-stained paradise

Victims of the long El Salvadorean civil war are finding comfort in the aid of a young girl far from her English roots

Raoul Slade

Smiling through pain: Annabel and a young charge

FAR FROM the landowning set in East Yorkshire where she was raised, Annabel Robinson has discovered "a paradoxical paradise", in El Salvador, among the destitute victims of the civil war.

Red-haired, freckle-faced Annabel lives in a refugee camp on a lush hilltop, under the shadow of Guazapa volcano, the most bomb-pummelled land mass in this tiny, war-devastated country.

At night the refugees often lie awake on their camp beds, the walls of their flimsy wooden buildings rattling as the bombs fall like thunder just three or four miles away.

Yet 27-year old Annabel is adamant: "I love it here. I can't imagine anywhere more beautiful or anywhere I would rather be."

The people she has chosen to live with, and care for, have fled from their homes on Guazapa, most of them peasant women and children — *campesinos* — whose menfolk are either fighting against, or have been killed by, the government army. All have had their homes destroyed. Many have seen a neighbour — often a close relative — torn to pieces by a bomb.

One woman at the camp received a note from Guazapa last month telling her one of her two sons — she still does not know if it is the ten or the 14-year-old — had had his eyes gouged out and his face skinned by government soldiers.

How does one deal with people in such agony? "You can offer practical help: for example, drive them down to the church human rights office to denounce the crime. But the most important thing is just to be with them, listen to them cry with them."

ANNABEL'S JOB at the camp is to organize reading and writing classes. The children have never been to school before, and the illiteracy rate is more than 90 per cent. "My students range in age from three to 75. The children can't tell the time but every time a plane passes overhead, they know exactly what type it is, what size bombs it drops, what kind of machine guns it carries."

One eight year old boy, to whom Annabel is particularly attached, lives at the camp with his grandfather. His grandmother was killed, together with his father, mother and three brothers and sisters in a bombing raid in September. Yet her year with Salvadorean country people has shown her a dominant quality: an extreme gentleness combined with extraordinary resilience. "The kids have had such terrible lives but they're always so cheerful and their mothers are always fussing over me, helping me in any way they can."

If Annabel loves the people she lives with, they adore her. Her treatment of the refugees is natural, simple and utterly lacking in that condescension sometimes found in the self-conscious do-gooder.

"They're nuts about her. You'd have to go a long way to find another like Annabel", says Sister Margaret, one of two American Roman Catholic nuns who live at the camp.

Father Michael Campbell-Johnston, a British Jesuit, is also amazed at the affection the English girl has managed to generate among a people to whom, at first glance, she must have been so alien. A tall bearded man, often found driving around the dangerous Salvadorean countryside in a bright red Honda scooter, Father Michael has been impressed, above all by her enthusiasm to "serve the poor", not just providing for them but sharing their lives. Father Michael is in charge of all Jesuit refugee work in Mexico and Central America and it was to him that Annabel applied for a job.

She had long thought about working with refugees. "How can anything worse happen to anybody than to lose everything and have to go and live in a camp?

"I've always wanted to be with the people who need help most desperately, the people who've reached rock-bottom", says Annabel. Here I've found them."

The lunatic right — many of them in the Salvadorean army — see Annabel's camp as a hotbed of guerrilla activity, and the death squads could make an appearance at any moment. But Annabel — like the two American nuns she works with — seems quite fearless, too busy in work to spend time worrying about her chances (entirely plausible) of adding her name to that of the 50,000 or so killed in El Salvador's six year old 'dirty war'.

She knows that eventually she will leave the camp, but she has no plans to abandon El Salvador. "I'm much more needed here, for example, than I would be in Nicaragua, the trendy place for foreigners to go.

"I don't want to be anywhere else but El Salvador. I want to go home to visit, but that's all. Here I'm really needed. I love it. I've found my thing."

John Carlin

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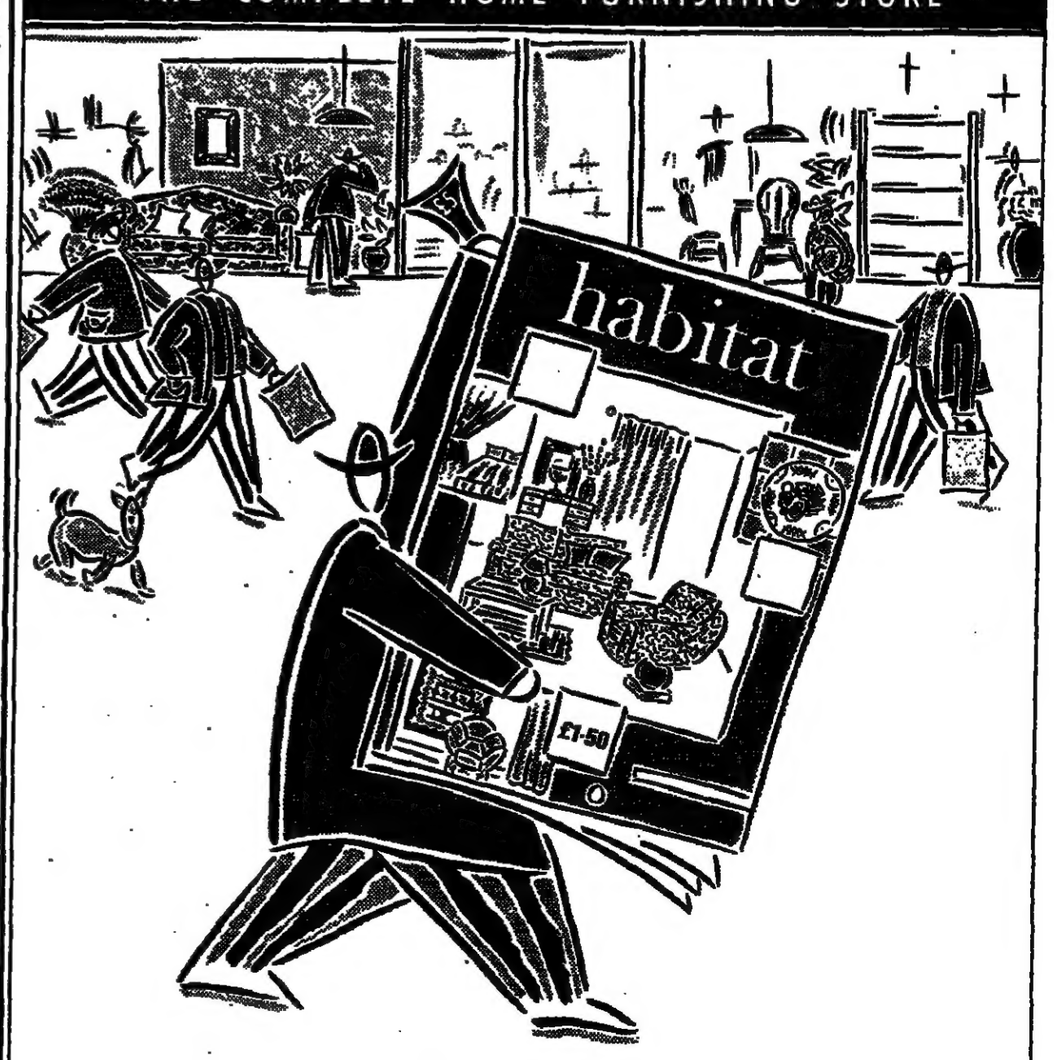

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THE TIMES DIARY

Not on the agenda

Harry Phibbs, who yesterday resigned as editor of the Conservative student magazine *New Agenda* after accusing Lord Stockton of war crimes, has fallen uncharacteristically silent after reaching an agreement with Central Office to make no further comments on the matter. I view this development as unfortunate, having hoped he could shed a little light on some information that has come to my attention. I gather that in the past he has been late paying the printers, Annagh Graphical of Ilford, Essex, who threatened not to print the latest offending issue unless he came up with the cash. Silence, meanwhile, has been the order of the day at the Smith Square headquarters of the Federation of Conservative Students, where the Central Office switchboard has been instructed not to let calls through to the FCS.

Staffa life

The tiny Scottish island of Staffa, best known for harbouring Fingal's Cave, has been bought by an American businessman. John Elliott jun picked it up to celebrate the 60th birthday of his wife Elly. A nice piece of transatlantic co-operation, this, for after J.E. jun had put up the bulk of the £175,000 asking price and handed over the island to the National Trust of Scotland, the NT reciprocated by making Elly Elliott steward for life. Situated close to Iona and inhabited only by puffins and other birdlife, Staffa's other claim to fame is that Mendelssohn wrote *Overture to the Hebrides* after a visit in 1829.

● After England's 1984 whitewash by the West Indies cricketers, and the "blackwash" during the return series, I hope we fare better against the New Zealanders this week and next: failure to do so, suggests one reader, would result in a sheepwash. Quite.

Dressing down

Could the reputed rift between Mrs Thatcher and the Queen have sartorial origins? In her book *Great Royal Disasters* Lesley Cunliffe relates how, after both had worn the same shade of blue to a banquet, Downing Street asked the Palace if it could be told in advance what the Queen intended to wear, thus avoiding the embarrassment of duplication. The brisk reply, according to the book, advised Mrs Thatcher not to concern herself, as "The Queen does not notice what other people are wearing."

BARRY FANTONI

'My new secretary? She's fine. The problem is finding space for her solicitor and parents'

Making waves

The waters around Radio Four's celebrated Desert Island have become decidedly more turbulent under the captaincy of Michael Parkinson than ever they were during that of his genial predecessor, Roy Plomley. I gather that Parky has responded to a suggestion by his producer, Derek Drescher, that he should interview the conductor Andrew Davis less than enthusiastically. Who, Parkinson wrote back, was this man Davis, and what was so remarkable about him apart from the fact that he (Parkinson) had never heard of him? The dispatcher of musical exiles was equally curt with me when I put the matter to him. "I don't wish to discuss private letters with a newspaperman, and I think you have a hell of a cheek to ask about it."

To arms

John Roper, formerly SDP chief whip, is in the front line to be new commander at the Institute of Strategic Studies, the military think tank which computes the activities of the world's armed forces. The current director, Robert O'Neill, is leaving this autumn to become, appropriately enough, Chichele Professor of the History of War at Oxford.

Carve-up

I have always found airline food pretty execrable, as I am sure you have, but ours is clearly not a view shared by the staff of China's state airline. According to a Hong Kong newspaper the wholesale theft of food by cabin crews is so rampant that passengers have to pay up to £10 each to get it back. One flight from Peking to San Francisco was cancelled after the crew demanded extra pay to return the passengers' food trays. I can't understand why this should be since the fare is described by foreign passengers as no better than the usual airline stuff.

PHS

Real penalties for foul play

by Edward Grayson

The proposal by the Solicitor-General for Scotland that footballers who commit violent fouls on the pitch should be prosecuted may make a reality of one of the few hopes that still exist for preserving football as a civilized sport.

Lovers of football who watched the 1966 World Cup recall bitterly how Pele's artistry and genius were destroyed by Bulgarian and Portuguese footballers, without any effective punishment, through brutal and deliberate assaults as criminally and civilly actionable as any committed in the gutters of inner cities by common criminals.

In his memoirs Pele wrote of two of the most blatant incidents as follows:

"I had been the target of merciless attacks from Zhecev of Bulgaria throughout the entire game . . . The referee, Jim Finney, gave neither me nor any of the others on our team the protection we had a right to expect from an official in a game.

"My legs ached as a result of Zhecev's constant tripping and kicking, and our directors therefore decided I should stay out of the next game, with Hungary."

And on the next page:

"Morais, of Portugal, had a field day fouling me, and eventually putting me out of the game. He tripped me, and when I was stumbling to the ground he leapt at me, feet first, and cut me down completely. It wasn't until I actually saw the films of the game that I realized what a terribly vicious double-foul it was . . . Brazil went on to play with 10 men and ended up eliminated."

In the Football Association yearbook of 1967-68 I wrote: "What is now required at all levels of the game is an awareness that those who break the laws of football on the field and the laws of society off it should be branded equally as criminals and wrongdoers.

"The player who commits a foul can maim an opponent for life and deprive him of his livelihood; a grave foul can kill. If the players and the clubs will not control the lawlessness which besmirches the game's good name, then it could yet be controlled for them. The motor car emerged as a potential benefit to mankind: it became a potential killer."

Soccer has in fact been a killer on the field even longer than on the terraces. In 1878, in a manslaughter case arising from an amateur game, Lord Justice Bramwell laid down a rule of law which has stood the test of time. In *R v Bradshaw* he said: "Independent of the rules, if the prisoner intended to cause serious hurt to the deceased, or if he knew that, in charging as he did, he might produce serious injury and was indifferent and reckless as to whether he would produce serious injury or not, then the act would be unlawful. In either case he would be guilty of a criminal act and you must find him Guilty."

Ninety years later these principles were applied at Maidstone Assizes on November 20, 1968. A fatal blow was struck during a game at the Eastern Gas Board ground at Colchester which resulted in a conviction for manslaughter *(R v Southby)*.

In 1977 they were applied for the first time to a prosecution concerning a broken leg on the rugby field *(R v Billinghurst)*. It will be applied again later this year or early next year for the first-ever jury trial of an international rugby player who has been committed by magistrates in south Wales for an alleged assault against an opponent during an amateur game.

The courts have been inconsistent when sentencing for convictions in this particular penalty area. In 1980 Judge John Clay imposed a custodial sentence on a rugby player at Croydon Crown Court who had smashed an opponent's face in three places. The Court of Appeal reduced the sentence from six months to two because of special circumstances.

The spokesman for the Attorney-General's department was no doubt needlessly cautious in the absence of his ministers on holiday when he said on Wednesday that the department would be considering whether the remarks of Peter Fraser, the Scottish Solicitor-General, "have any implications for England and Wales".

Sir Michael Havers, the Attorney-General, will be familiar with the principles and citations quoted above. So, too, will all police officers who love sport. They will recognize and understand that no game provides a licence to commit crime.

If the clubs and governing bodies cannot control their players' corruption of a great game, the law can and, indeed, must do it for them, in the interest not only of the game itself, but also of the great majority of players and their hero-worshipping idolaters who sustain it.

The author, a barrister, has written extensively on sport and the law.

The tercentenary of the 1688 revolution may reopen old wounds, but Noel Annan argues that it is something to celebrate

Glorious it was for British liberties

When the blinkered, obstinate James II (left) was replaced by William III, it ensured that the rule of law would prevail

After 21 years in the House of Lords I still find that it can surprise me. The other day Lord Grimond rose to ask the government to reconsider its decision to celebrate in two years time the Glorious Revolution of 1688. What, I wondered, was a former leader of the Liberal Party, the heir to the Whigs, doing in opposing the commemoration of English liberties?

Lord Grimond explained. To celebrate the anniversary, he said, would offend all Irishmen, and many Roman Catholics. In any case, did not the revolution appeal to bigotry and succeed through treachery? Catholic peers shot up from the benches to remind Lord Whitelaw of the slur that had been cast on their ancestors, and a former Education Secretary observed that the revolution was a squalid affair in which religious prejudice ousted a rightful king.

One peer told the House that happily the revolution came in time to reprieve his five-times-great-grandfather from hanging. By then Lord Whitelaw had had enough. He said there might be two views on whether or not that was a good thing.

By this time, I fancied I could hear Macaulay turning in his grave. Had he not written his famous history to vindicate those events? As he would have said, surely every schoolboy knows what the revolution settled. It settled that England should be governed by the rule of law.

No longer could the king override the law by using his prerogative. No longer could he suspend the law wholesale. Parliament alone could alter the law. No longer could the king — or for that matter, Parliament — dismiss judges. Within a few years it was settled that they were to hold their commission *quam diu si bene gesserint* (so long as their personal life was not scandalous) and no longer *durante beneplacito* (at the king's pleasure).

No longer could he punish juries for bringing in the wrong verdict. No longer could the king keep a standing army without Parliament's consent. If he did, the soldiers would be free to mutiny because Parliament would not renew the Mutiny Act.

Finally the revolution brought to an end the long conflict between king and Parliament. The king could govern only through Parliament, which would sit for three years and must meet each year. When the Act of Settlement put the Hanoverians on the throne, we had at last a constitution safeguarding the basic liberties of the subject.

Was the revolution simply an example of Protestant bigotry? Those who think so may have forgotten what James II was like. James was honourable, blinkered and obstinate. He refused advice from those who had enabled him to succeed to the crown. In the end his main adviser was the French ambassador. Five years before his accession, a stupendous battle was fought in Parliament to exclude him from the throne. That great man, Halifax the Trimmer, opposed the bill in the Lords and won — Charles II, as ever amusing and ungrateful, saying the debates were "better than the play".

But when James came to the throne in 1685 he acted exactly as the Exclusionists had foretold. The Tories who had kept the succession for James voted him the customs revenues for life and hence enabled him to pay his army. But they would not repeal the acts that excluded Catholics and Dissenters from political life. Nor was this strange. Dissenters still represented the political force that had cut off Charles I's head and in the end imposed a military dictatorship.

Catholic France and Spain, England's ancient enemies, were absolutist monarchies and Catholicism the ideology that underpinned them, much as today Marxism underpins communist regimes. In October 1685 Louis XIV revoked the Edict of Nantes and outlawed Protestantism in France: so when James dismissed Halifax, to whom he owed his throne, and eased out the high Tories who were the bulwark of the Anglican church, men wondered what was in the wind.

They had not long to wait. Since the law prevented James getting what he wanted: he would suspend it. By using his dispensing power he nominated Catholics to the army, the bench, the town corporations and the magistracy. Three Oxford colleges were put under Romanist rule. Finally he commanded the Anglican clergy to read from the pulpit a Declaration of Indulgence suspending all laws against Catholics and Dissenters. Seven bishops petitioned him not to force the clergy to break the law. He had them imprisoned and tried. The jury acquitted them.

It was the birth of the prince later to be known as the Old Pretender that made men act. Until then the heir to the throne had been Mary, James's elder daughter by his first wife, married to a Protestant prince. Now there would be a Catholic heir. It was not simply a Whig revolution. In England Tories and Whigs acted together, even those Tories who cared most about legitimacy: of the seven bishops five were later to become Jacobites, but not all opposed James.

You may argue that James was only trying to establish full religious toleration, but that was not how men saw it at the time, not even the Dissenters. Nor does the evidence support it. You may argue that it was not a real revolution but an aristocratic putsch. But men had seen what a real revolution looked like after Charles I's execution and did not like it; and the mob in London, the West Country and Yorkshire rose to support William of Orange when he landed with his army.

Were the revolutionaries squalid? Lord Sunderland certainly was. Macaulay thought John Churchill (later the great Marlborough) was for commanding James's army and subverting his officers and men while all the time he was in communication with William.

But Winston Churchill argued that his ancestor had never disguised his opposition to his benefactor's policies and realized it was up to him to save his country from a second civil war; and indeed James, to his credit, thought the same. Spain, Austria, even the Pope, supported William's expedition. The revolution was glorious because not one Englishman lost his life.

How different from the other revolution whose bicentenary will be celerated in France in 1989 with far greater splendour than ours! President Mitterrand has no qualms about reopening old wounds.

I was once watching Wales play France at rugger at the Stade Colombe. The occasion had been made poignant by the fact that Queen Mary had died and the Welsh team ran on to the field wearing black armbands. The French crowd joined in our National Anthem with emotion. But when the Marseillaise was played, brisk conversation broke out all round me. "Why should I sing the words to that tune," said my host, "to which my ancestors had their heads chopped off?" Orleanists, Bonapartists, Communards, Dreyfusards, have long been dead, but for years their ghosts haunted the republic and weakened France. To this day Frenchmen argue whether Robespierre betrayed the revolution or was betrayed.

But Lord Grimond had a point. If the revolution in England was glorious it was not so glorious in Scotland and disastrous in Ireland. In Scotland it was purely a Whig revolution. In the Lowlands the adherents of the Scottish kirk beat up the Tory Episcopalians who often joined the Highlanders in becoming Jacobites.

In Ireland it was worse. After the defeat of James's Irish and French armies, Catholic lands were confiscated. Penal laws divided the mass of the people from their Protestant rulers, who refused to recognize in law that Catholics existed. England ruled Ireland as a colony in which Protestant manufacturers were ruined hardly less thoroughly than the Catholics.

England was luckier. William relaxed the way the law operated against the Dissenters and soon Catholics could worship as they pleased in private. No one cared when England's greatest poet was a Catholic.

The Glorious Revolution was not a revolution of the intellect like the French revolution, which inspired every class in society with ideas for or against it. But it made England the ideal of intellectuals on the Continent, and even after 1789 Britain was admired for its civil liberty, legal equality, toleration, moderation, lack of cruelty, even its taste for the odd and eccentric.

That is why we should celebrate. If France has the confidence to honour the ideas of 1789, surely Britain can honour the days when the elementary liberties of the subject against the state were established and dictatorship died.

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Why Zia could afford to gamble

Karachi

By strength of nerve, an ability to foresee how his subjects will react — and not a little luck — President Zia of Pakisitan seems to have overcome the most serious threat so far to his quasi-democratic regime.

Pakistanis would prefer full democracy. This has been demonstrated by their enthusiastic turn-out at elections and their clamorous welcome when Miss Benazir Bhutto returned from exile in April. But determined government action has deterred the great mass of the Pakistani people from supporting the anti-government agitation which began last week. Troops were rushed into central Sind to quell the revolutionary fervour: in the middle-class suburbs of Karachi police broke up demonstrations by seizing the leaders and beating them, in full view of American television cameras. Other would-be agitators took the hint.

At the height of the trouble, General Zia left on pilgrimage to Saudi Arabia, apparently leaving Muhammad Khan Junejo, his prime minister, in charge. But few were fooled. Junejo is basically a cypher, a man of little experience and no freedom of action: no one was in any doubt as to who was orchestrating the government's policies. But their success means that when General Zia returns home today he can say that it has been a victory for Junejo's civilian administration.

The government has been lucky in facing a divided and jealous opposition which has made tactical errors. On August 11, for example, when Junejo announced a ban on demonstrations on Independence Day, three days later, Miss Bhutto was not dismayed. Any other day would do just as well, she said.

But the political heavyweights of her party, and of the other groups within the ten-party opposition coalition, the Movement for the Restoration of Democracy, saw this as feminine weakness and insisted on going ahead with the demonstrations on the day. For the first time Miss Bhutto was forced into acting illegally, and was promptly arrested.

This was the moment of greatest danger for the Zia regime. It was widely expected that since Miss Bhutto's return, and the great displays of support she has received, any attempt to lock her up again would invite public retribution.

Zia took the risk, despite the fears of his American patrons in Washington who issued a statement disapproving of his action. Pakistan countered by accusing the Reagan administration of interfering in its affairs.

Opposition protests against the arrest were real, but disorganized. The government picked up the first and second rank leadership of most parties in the MRD, forcing them into carrying out their threat to start an immediate agitation if arrests were made.

Until that moment Miss Bhutto and her supporters had been planning a campaign of agitation to begin at the end of September. How effective it would have been one can only conjecture, but at least it would have been planned. The agitation started on Independence Day was not planned, and although it could have led to widespread unrest there were in fact few violent incidents.

Worst affected was the Sind countryside, but that is an area renowned for violence and lawlessness. "When a Sindhi comes into money," it is said, "he does one of three things. He gets married again, he buys a video player — or he has someone killed."

When the American news agencies competed with one another earlier this week to paint a picture of Pakistan in flames they were over-emphasizing events in Sind.

Incidents continue in Sind: railway services have been disrupted and government property attacked, but it seems that the troubles there could degenerate into a worsening dispute between the indigenous Sindhis and Urdu-speaking immigrants from India. This could well happen if the pro-government Muslim League, led by the eccentric Pir of Pagara, takes to the streets in counter-demonstrations.

The problem facing Miss Bhutto when, or indeed if, she regains her freedom, is the inability to apply pressure on the government without acting illegally. And it is getting difficult to encourage Pakistanis to face armed soldiers on the streets.

Pakistan may be a poor country, but it has a far higher standard of living than that of India. The growing middle classes have a stake in continuing stability. They are unlikely to risk it, or their lives, in the turmoil of revolution.

Michael Hamlyn

David Watt

Can we 'green' the consumer?

The Lincolnshire villagers who are resisting the possible choice of their vicinity as a dumping-ground for nuclear waste inspire mixed feelings. Most people, I imagine, instinctively side with them on two points: first that nuclear materials are nasty, dangerous things that one would rather not have inserted under one's seat even at a depth of several hundred feet; and secondly that the bland assertions of officialdom on these matters are not to be trusted, having been proved wrong too often.

On the other hand, it is interesting to note that this sympathy lacks a certain element of warmth. Conservative commentators, instead of concentrating on the government's threat to sacred Tory territory as they would have done 20 years ago, are tut-tutting over the amazing impertinence of the protesters in resisting a decision properly endorsed by Parliament. The left, which latches on these days to any "green" issue with the word "nuclear" in it, is not panting to link arms with a mainly middle-class Conservative lobby in the shires.

Behind these hesitations a deeper shift of opinion is discernible, part political, part cultural. The highly publicized existence of "green" movements in various developed countries conceals the fact that in most of these countries genuine concern for the countryside is actually in retreat. The intensive mechanization of farming has, of course, depleted the rural population and this, in turn, has tended to reduce the political power of the farming lobbies.

They still have quite a lot of pull in countries such as France and West Germany where the small farmer retains his place and where these vested interests are deeply entrenched in the institutions, but even there it is waning fast. In Britain, the situation has already been transformed. The changed character of the Conservative Party under Mrs Thatcher reflects the steady erosion of the old landed interests and the growth of suburban power.

Another factor is the general reaction against the interests of the producer and a corresponding tilt towards the mass consumer. The trade unions have notoriously acquired a reputation as conspirators against the public interest and have suffered a calamitous drop in influence as a result. The farmers are tarred with the same brush. The common Agricultural policy of the EEC looks exactly like the producers' ramp that it is; the price of land, and rural habits such as hedge-grubbing, battery-hen rearing and stubble-burning, have created an exploitative image very different from the old Ambridge ways.

The consequence in this country has been a subtle degradation of the postwar consensus about the relatively high importance of the countryside as a longterm resource rather than as a mere commodity like any other. And since so much of the mystique has departed, the various interests are left with a much clearer field.

Our island is only very slightly more crowded with people than it was 20 years ago. But in spite of minority agitation in the opposite direction, there is certainly more pressure and probably, in the end, more freedom now than then to build motorways and sink coal pits in famous beauty spots; to plant power pylons and spruce forests in hitherto inviolate glens, and television relay stations on top of every natural eminence; to nibble away at the green belt; to "fill in" attractive villages with gimcrack developments; to cover every headland with caravans; and to rape the landscape in the name of farming efficiency.

We are not alone in this. Other nations long renowned as refined and beauty-conscious are doing likewise. Go to Tuscany and look out from its hills over mushrooming apartment blocks and messy ribbon developments; take the "bullet" train from Tokyo to Osaka and try to catch, in 200 miles of industrial slum, a single unspoiled glimpse of what Hokusai drew; see what modern farming and suburban sprawl are accomplishing in the Ile de France.

The rise in personal expectations and the spread of spending power have put the responsibility for growth in all the industrialized countries into the hands of a mass culture, primarily urban in its preoccupations and assumptions even when it is operating in a rural environment.

There is no point in trying to turn back the clock. People are determined to have cars and drive quickly in them, to own new houses in the suburbs rather than renovated ones in the towns and cities. Even country dwellers want to have council houses and supermarkets and abundant electricity and TV and every other urban amenity; farmers and developers want to make money in one place and spend it elsewhere. That is the popular, democratic age we live in and it has its own virtues and satisfactions.

The trouble is that it leaves such a limited constituency for the future. It was Harold Nicolson, I think, who said that one of the chief characteristics of an aristocracy is the desire to plant avenues for one's children. The Victorians managed, though with difficulty, to transplant some of these aristocratic virtues of taste, moderation and historical responsibility to the new middle class.

Our task, which is infinitely harder, is to spread them virtually to the entire population. They are now the masters and the spenders and one feels as one looks around these islands in holiday time that if they cannot find, and accept the costs of, a better compromise between growth and amenity, our grandchildren's inheritance will be miserable indeed.

***moreover* . . . Miles Kington**

A frolic around the Fringe

A completely new method of map-making has been invented in Edinburgh. It is used by Fringe groups on their leaflets, and it can prove that any theatre in Edinburgh is only two minutes walk from Princes Street — in fact, it is so flexible that it could prove any theatre in Britain is only two minutes from Princes Street.

Except that theatres on the Fringe are not called theatres but venues. A venue is any church hall with added seats, stage and lights. If it also sells coffee and sandwiches, it is called a complex.

If there is a queue outside, these are not people waiting to buy tickets. They are people who have already got tickets waiting for the previous production to finish so they can go in. They will need lots of coffee and sandwiches, which they can buy inside, thus making the complex profitable.

Should the queue be a really long one it will need entertaining while waiting for the previous production to finish, and this is when the buskers arrive. They have to bring their own coffee and sandwiches with them. You can always tell buskers in Edinburgh from Fringe performers because the buskers are so skilful.

If you see people in the street with white faces, outlandish costumes and bundles of leaflets, these are not buskers; these are performers from shows which have not yet had an audience and are desperate for publicity. Unfortunately these are the only Fringe performers ever seen in the streets, so the ordinary residents of Edinburgh are now convinced that all Fringe performers:

● Wear white make-up, and historical costume from a period which never existed.

● Cannot speak, but only sing out of tune.

● Make langorous mime gestures.

● Throw lots of leaflets in the street, all to be cleared up by the council, which is why the rates have gone up again.

This explains why no Edinburgh resident ever visits a Fringe show. They see the Fringe only on the first day, in the cavalcade along Princes Street, which actually is more like the parade they used to have in Rome after one of Caesar's successful campaigns.

"The pipe band of the 5th Legion is in fine form today . . . I see we have captured many prisoners from among the wild mime artists who occupy the frontiers of the Empire . . . how savage and how sad they look . . . I couldn't see them lasting five minutes against a good tattoo . . ."

The Fringe companies that perform in churches have to vacate them from time to time to make way for services. This almost certainly explains the well-known episode in the Bible about Jesus and the clearing of the Temple.

1. And Jesus entered the Temple and found many people there, busy with the changing of money. And he was wroth and said: What do we have here?
2. And the money changers said, Well, we have a Polish version of *Hamlet* at noon, then there's a children's show at 2.15, and at 5 there's a musical based on the Apocrypha . . .
3. Jesus said, Be gone! Out of the Temple! And he scattered all that were there within.
4. And the crowd muttered, saying: This must be the fire officer from the the council who is not satisfied with the scaffolding in the auditorium; somebody give him some coffee and sandwiches while we get it fixed.

The fire officer can close a theatre for almost any reason — for having an unsafe coffee urn, for not having enough leaflets, for having an audience with inflammable clothes, or for not having a joke about Diego Maradona in the show. (Every show in the Fringe this year has to have a joke about Maradona.) But their favourite reason for closing theatres is for not having illuminated Exit signs.

No Fringe company ever has illuminated Exit signs because they would ruin the artistic blackouts. So when the fire officer comes, they switch the signs on for him and switch them off again when he's gone. And that is why, during the many fires that sweep Fringe theatres, the audience never knows where the exit is, and always rushes into the lavatories.

Where another, very small Fringe show is already going on.

You can easily find it. It's only two minutes from Princes Street.

Meanwhile, next week, most Fringe performers will be giving up theatre for ever and going into the coffee and sandwich business full time.

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TAX AND DISPLEASE

The Social Democratic Party and its leader Dr David Owen like to be thought of as hardheaded, rational and reformist. Their Labour Party roots also demand that the Party should be caring, especially about the poor, and other supposedly ill-treated groups such as women and single parents. The Party's new proposals for integrating the tax and benefit system neatly combine the two in their declared twin aim of redistribution and simplification. But they are likely to prove the most contentious of all the policies Dr Owen will find himself promoting and defending at a general election.

The logic of integrating the two is undeniable. The interplay of a wide range of benefits and an unrelated tax system with an extremely low starting point for income tax has led to injustice, bureacratic duplication and to the maximisation of the poverty trap, which can leave the poor little or no better off when they earn more. Separate means-testing has also meant that many of the poor fail to claim benefits and it has increased the clamour for expensive universal handouts such as child benefit.

It is hard to defend the present separation of employees' national insurance contributions from income tax. Lord Beveridge was keen to identify welfare state benefits as a right, paid for in contributions and thus free from the alleged stigma of charity. But the inadequacy of some basic benefits and the blurring of the distinction between contributions and payments from general taxation has left NIC's as an anomalous hypothecated tax.

They are also a regressive tax. There is a ceiling on income liable to contributions, and a gap between that and the threshold for higher-rate income tax. Thus those with incomes in between enjoy a lower marginal tax rate than those on more modest incomes.

Putting the two together in one way or another has been on the political agenda for at least fifteen years and has not been the monopoly of any one party. So why did Mr Norman Fowler, in his recent review, follow so many predecessors in refusing these attractions?

Inland Revenue computerization has been a long-running excuse. But this obstacle should be out of the way before any new Government has the chance to push through such complex legislation.Cost is a more enduring problem. No government wants to save money because poor citizens fail to claim benefits. Making receipt automatic through the tax system, however, would reveal the true and frightening bill for the present structure of welfare.

Removing the fiction that national insurance contributions are not a tax on income would also make it even plainer to taxpayers just how much of their income is taken by the Government. It would reveal the extent to which desirable welfare depends on excessive taxation — in this case, an effective standard rate of 38 per cent. And there would be more indignant losers than grateful gainers from change.

The SDP is to be congratulated. It can build a structure to give improved benefits in future to those in need at less cost than the Labour Party, which is still wedded to universal benefits. Alas, the SDP has chosen at the same moment to propose increases in a range of existing benefits from basic pensions to help for single parents. And it has been so anxious to make sure that none of the needy lose that it proposes a host of special arrangements. Even child benefit — now to be taxed in some circumstances — would be raised high enough to ensure that those taxed at the standard rate would lose nothing. On the SDP's own calculations, which will be subject to highly critical scrutiny, the overall gross cost would be £4.3 billion a year.

That has to be paid for. And Dr Owen is commendably not pretending, like the Labour Party, that it can all come from the rich. It will, indeed, come from the very middle class on whose defection from Mrs Thatcher his electoral hopes depend. Any family whose single earner brings in more than £15,000 a year would lose.

On the SDP's costings, a rise in nominal tax rates might be avoidable. But the SDP scheme would then require some undesirable tax changes. In particular, it would abolish the married man's tax allowance without introducing fully transferable allowances between between husband and wife as envisaged in the Government's much preferable proposed reform of allowances. Dr Owen would effectively penalize the family with one earner, whereas Mr Lawson would make it easier for one spouse to look after the family full-time.

That will not go down well in suburbia. Dr Owen may find that proving he is not Mrs Thatcher is not wholly to his advantage.

POWER WITHOUT RESPONSIBILITY

So Moscow's considered verdict on the Chernobyl disaster, which has so far cost 31 lives, left more than 200 people with severe radiation sickness, blighted an untold acreage of land and raised the biggest question mark yet over the future of nuclear power is this: a chance combination of unforeseen circumstances and gross human error. That verdict does not go nearly far enough.

The official Soviet report on Chernobyl, presented in Moscow yesterday, offers a thorough, technically competent, though perhaps incomplete, account of the immediate causes of the accident. It charts the first errors at the reactor; the heroic, if doomed, attempts of engineers to correct them; the multiplying malfunctions and the final, horrific fire.

That even these details have been published is cause for some gratitude and not a little surprise. The Soviet Union has not usually been so heedful of international opinion or so considerate of international forums as to dissect a home-grown disaster in public. But it might well not have done so, had not the radioactive fall-out been detected in Western Europe and public outrage in the West forced an explanation.

The danger now is that once the immediate causes of the disaster are accepted — if they are — the more far-reaching questions raised by Chernobyl will be left unasked. These are the questions the International Atomic Energy Agency must eventually address, if not at next week's meeting, then in the near future.

First, leaving aside the rights and wrongs of experimentation at nuclear power stations, it is clear that the Soviet engineers at the Chernobyl reactor No.4 had no appreciation of the risks their work involved. They, like most people in the Soviet Union, had taken the safety of nuclear power for granted because they had no information to the contrary. Before Chernobyl, nuclear safety was not an issue in the Soviet Union. Yet without an appreciation of the potential risks, nuclear power workers cannot be expected to exercise the necessary degree of responsibility. Will they in future be better informed?

Second, the design of the Chernobyl reactor — which is by no means unique in the Soviet Union — permitted the combination of circumstances which proved so destructive. But some of those circumstances *had* been envisaged by Western engineers and such a combination would not have come about at a reactor in the West. (That is not to say, of course, that a nuclear accident of the order of Chernobyl would not be possible in the West at all). Will there in future be provision for a regular international exchange of information on the design and functioning of nuclear power stations, in which potential problems and minor accidents are reported honestly by each side? Should there not be common standards of design and safety?

Third, once the accident had occurred, it took three days and an international outcry for the Soviet authorities to concede that anything untoward had happened. Some of the delay can be explained by the Soviet Union's traditional secretiveness and by embarrassment on the part of a country with both a deep inferiority complex and a claim to the status of a superpower. But the rest probably resulted from a combination of fear (on the part of the workers and officials involved), bureaucracy (which set up complex procedures for the divulging of information on nuclear matters), and poor communications. Can the Soviet system in its present form guarantee that such a delay — whatever the cause — is not repeated?

After Chernobyl, it is up to the Soviet Union to convince the rest of the world that it is ready to assume the responsibilities incumbent upon a nuclear power. The detail given in the official report on the disaster suggests that it may be ready to make a start. But the Kremlin should not be allowed to think that this is enough. Constant pressure will be required.

BACK TO THE BEAT

Mr John Stalker is an able police officer. He stands accused of no unlawful conduct after a gruelling investigation, during which he has necessarily been idle, while the investigating officer, Mr Geoffrey Sampson, has similarly been kept from his duties in West Yorkshire.

Nothing that has emerged detracts from his performance of the essential work of the deputy chief constable of Greater Manchester. Here is a strong and resourceful policeman who has given — and will continue to give — exemplary service as an administrator of police. A primary public interest in the Stalker case is his speedy return to active service.

To that end the Greater Manchester police authority, in its meeting today, may be tempted to ignore the recommendation made by Mr Sampson for a tribunal, and to deal with Mr Stalker in its own way.

Mr Stalker has not yet spoken in his own defence: he is surely owed that much by his employers. They might wish to reinstate him immediately. Such action is fully within their competence. Indeed the police authority might already feel some resentment against further external involvement since what was originally a matter of provincial good house-keeping has been swamped by the over-attention of metropolitan conspiracy theorists.

Yet councillors and magistrates on the authority would not only do a general service by accepting a tribunal but, matters having got this far, also serve Mr Stalker's interests. A tribunal is needed to clear air befogged by innuendo. There must be every expectation that, pulled out of their Mancunian context, many of the facts of Mr Stalker's attendance at balls and birthday parties will lose the sinister aspect they have acquired. A tribunal will, surely, look more carefully than Mr Sampson appears to have done at communications between the chief constable of Greater Manchester and his deputy.

If a tribunal under the 1984 Police and Criminal Evidence Act is constituted, Mr Stalker will stand comparison with, to take a recent example, Mrs Wendy Savage — a public service professional subjected to simultaneous trial by press and formal process. Tribunals are costly. They should be set up quickly and required to do their work at pace. But their final justification is that as well as dispensing justice, they educate the public by showing them in detail something of the private lives of public institutions.

A Stalker tribunal ought to be charged not only with maintaining the highest standards of police conduct. It must be prepared to touch on policing policy. At what point is an officer in but not of the community he is supposed to be policing? Where does community policing — enjoined on the bobby on the beat — end, and ill-advised association with people of uncertain background begin? Does the Manchester Conservative Party's annual ball qualify as a legitimate community event?

Beneath these is deep water. It covers the boundary of policing and politics, and leads to debate about control and accountability through organs of local government. In his trial Mr Stalker has, involuntarily, a wider public purpose to serve.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Protest at nuclear dumping plan

From the Rev H. C. Middleton

Sir, I was dismayed to find that your leading article of August 19 described myself and some of my parishioners as hooligans. The previous day a most peaceful demonstration had taken place at Fulbeck airfield with men, women and children of every age and class present.

This fact alone should give the Government more cause for concern than any other protest. The question that needs asking is what motivates such a diverse group of people, many of whom have never demonstrated before, to actually spend a full day engaged in such uncharacteristic activities?

It is too simplistic and untrue to dismiss it as "the not-in-my-backyard" attitude. Contrary to your leading article, local people have tried to obtain as many facts as possible by attending and instigating public meetings and by writing to Government ministers and to Nirex (Nuclear Industry Radioactive Waste Executive).

Such facts as have become available do not reassure local people of the safety of burying low-level wastes in clay pits. Indeed Drigg, in Cumbria, is an extremely bad advertisement for the nuclear industry and is criticised in the Rossi report.

The fact is that our Conservative member of Parliament and our county council are totally opposed to the proposed scheme of burying nuclear waste. Those who gathered at the demonstration were expressing the same opposition.

What they are actually asking for are more real facts: not for a scheme to be rushed through, but for real and proper research to take place. For example, some countries are exploring the possibility of the deep burial of all categories of radioactive waste.

The Government should take such opposition seriously. When ordinary decent people of all walks of life take to the streets or the country lanes to peacefully ask for more research, more facts, and a real assurance of safety, then surely elected representatives should listen.

It is ironic to remember that without a similar protest in the past by some "upper-class hooligans" not only would we not have a woman prime minister, but she would not even have the right to vote!

Yours faithfully,
H. C. MIDDLETON (Rector of Fulbeck, Caythorpe and Carlton Scroop with Normanton),
The Rectory, Church Street,
Caythorpe,Grantham, Lincolnshire.

From Sir Julian Rose

Sir, Your leading article of August 19, entitled "Green but not pleasant", is both equivocal and provocative. It calls into question, in the starkest of fashions, the fundamental precepts of human liberty and freedom of choice.

The fact that large sections of the public have developed a deep concern about the wisdom and safety of burying radioactive wastes near populated areas, and have shown themselves willing to stand behind their beliefs, can hardly be described as "hooliganism" or indeed "a breach in the fabric of lawfulness". To take such a view is to encourage an ultra-blinkered assessment of the predicament which the creation of a nuclear cycle has placed upon both present and future generations.

If you would allow your perspectives to be broadened in order to make a fuller appraisal of this issue you might well reach the conclusion that what is "unlawful" and contrary to the wider process of democracy is the development of industrial processes which produce, as part of their function, long-lasting toxic poisons which remain persistently hazardous to both man and environment for thousands of years: poisons which, in effect, man has rendered non-degradeable, meaning that nature has no power to recycle them.

Is there something wrong with people who increasingly feel seriously at odds with this approach to the trusteeship of our planet? And would it not be more pertinent to put into question the responsibility and motivation of those who propound the rightfulness of such exploitation?

Yours sincerely,
JULIAN ROSE,
Path Hill Farm Cottage,
Whitchurch,
Near Reading, Berkshire.
August 19.

From Mrs Anne Tayler

Sir, If Nirex wants the people of South Killingholme, Fulbeck, and Elstow to accept its word that the dumping of nuclear waste materials in their midst is perfectly safe its course is a simple one. It can move one or two of its top executives, with their wives and families, into the areas concerned to live among the local inhabitants for a couple of years.

Yours etc,
ANNE TAYLER,
8 North Street,
Nazeing, Essex.
August 19.

Anxiety over Rock guard

From General Sir William Jackson

Sir, I am writing to you both as a former Governor of the Rock and as one of the founder members of The Friends of Gibraltar's Heritage.

On August 1 you gave front-page prominence to the withdrawal of the British ceremonial guard from the frontier gates because, in the words of the Governor's announcement, it is no longer appropriate between European Community partners and Nato allies.

Over the past three weeks, however, there has been little reference to the mounting bitterness and anxiety caused in Gibraltar by the British Government's failure to insist on the simultaneous withdrawal of the Spanish guard, which is still being mounted.

The three major political parties in Gibraltar, who do not often agree on anything, are united in opposition to this genuine but, as it proved, gratuitous gesture. Sir Joshua Hassan, the Chief Minister, who equally rarely dissociates himself publicly from HM Government's policies, has had to do so on this occasion.

The people of Gibraltar see the unilateral removal of this symbol of British sovereignty as confirmation of the widely held view that there is an Anglo-Spanish ploy to let the process of "osmosis" gradually change the red, white and blue of the Union Jack flying over the Rock into the red and gold of Spain. The cynics suggest that the removal of the frontier guard is one of the preliminary steps in a sell-out.

The Governor's guard will go next as an economy measure; the Ceremony of the Keys will be stopped because it is anti-Spanish; and then the sovereignty flag on top of the Rock will be hauled down as no longer serving any useful purpose!

It is unfortunate that Madrid has not seen fit, so far at least, to remove the Spanish ceremonial guard from its side of the frontier, where it is just as inappropriate between two European and Nato partners. By not doing so they are fuelling the natural fears and suspicions of the Gibraltarians, thus making the normalisation of relations between the Rock and Spain, envisaged in the Lisbon and Brussels agreements, all the harder to accomplish.

Yours faithfully,
BILL JACKSON,
West Stowell Place,
Oare, Marlborough, Wiltshire.
August 18.

Minority status

From Mr Aleksa Gavrilović

Sir, At first glance, drawing an analogy between Kosovo and Northern Ireland (Dr Kindersley's letter, August 12) seems logical. The same could be said about the conflict between Catholic Croats and Orthodox Serbs in Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina during the Second World War. However, the position of the Serbs in both cases needs better understanding.

The policy of the "Independent State of Croatia" demanded a Catholic "purity", which resulted in forced conversions and massacres of the "schismatic" Serbs on an apocalyptic scale.

Yugoslav Albanians, predominantly Muslim, have been demanding an ethnically pure Kosovo. The exodus of the Serbs from the region is the result of a long period of systematic terror in which the Serbian population has been left without any protection.

The Orthodox Serbs have never in their history been bigoted or had policies based on religious or ethnic "purity". Various political forces and trends have today isolated the Serbs, just as they were in the past, when at the beginning of the modern era they found themselves wedged between the Ottoman westward push and the Austro-German eastern aspirations.

Yours faithfully,
ALEKSA GAVRILOVIC,
3 Rowley Avenue, Stafford.
August 13.

Study of philosophy

From Mr Ian MacKenzie

Sir, It is indeed unfortunate that you should publish a letter by Britain's most respected philosopher, A. J. Ayer (August 12), extolling the virtues of a philosophical training immediately opposite a sadly typical article by Britain's most widely read philosopher (due to the platform with which you provide him), Roger Scruton.

Ayer mentions the theory of knowledge; Scruton simply declares most of France's recent leading intellectuals to be "charlatans".

Ayer praises the benefits of logic; Scruton dismisses the thought of Roland Barthes because he died in a car accident; of Foucault because he died of Aids, and classifies Althusser's mental illness as Stalinism. Derrida's intellectual worth is shown to be diminished because he teaches at Yale — doubtless an inferior institution to Scruton's polytechnic.

Finally, before proceeding to a specious analogy between post-structuralism or deconstruction (although he spares his readers the conventional philosophical terms) and totalitarianism, your columnist describes the French *Nouvelle Droite* as "crusty" and "slight". So much for what is perhaps the most widely-debated topic in current philosophy: self-reflexivity!

Yours faithfully,
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Switzerland.
August 12.

Grouse about the bill

From Mrs Angela Thomsett

Sir, On page 16 of *The Times* last Wednesday (August 13) a headline [in some editions] declared "MoD accused of massive overspending". On page 2 of the same issue we were told that 21 brace of newly shot grouse were flown from Blackpool to London by the Red Devils and that a team from the Parachute Regiment raced up the Thames in boats to deliver the birds to the Savoy.

Who foots the bill for this particular silliness, I wonder?

Yours faithfully,
ANGELA THOMSETT,
The Applegarth,
Osmotherley,
Northallerton, North Yorkshire.
August 15.

Clergy's future

From the Bishop Suffragan of Basingstoke

Sir, Mr Derek Wilson (August 19) may have some grounds for complaining about the quality of the Anglican parish clergy, though their energy and devotion never cease to encourage me. The secular remedies, however, that he suggests are not likely to be sufficient to cut away what he calls "the malignant growth sapping the energy of the body ecclesiastic".

The only effective cure is a spiritual one and is associated with that doctrine of priesthood which Mr Wilson despises. Unless and until the clergy are seen primarily as, and are allowed to be, men of prayer, accountable to God not man, the Church will continue to be hampered in its task of "bringing many sons to glory".

Yours faithfully,
†MICHAEL BASINGSTOKE,
1 The Close,
Winchester, Hampshire.
August 19.

Upstairs, downstairs

From Dr H. A. Fitzhugh

Sir, I am very sorry for the problems caused while our contractors replace the lifts at Lancaster Gate Underground station (letter, August 18).

The work at Lancaster Gate should be finished in 18 months, six months less than would formerly have been needed, as a result of improved management of such contracts.

The 85-year-old lifts and their machinery have to be cut up for removal and new lifts and machinery installed. Unlike stations at which lifts can be kept working in one shaft while those in another are replaced, Lancaster Gate has only one shaft.

Yours faithfully,
HENRY FITZHUGH, Marketing & Development Director,
London Underground Limited,
55 Broadway, SW1.

A liberal education

From Professor Charles Handy

Sir, Shirley Letwin (feature, August 14) is, of course, quite right. It would be absurd to abandon the best traditions of a British liberal education in pursuit of a narrow vocationalism.

No one wants a nation of technicians, but nor do we want a land run by culture-vultures. To think that all was well when liberal British gentlemen ran the world, and our businesses, has to be romantic nonsense.

What we want, surely, is a nation where everyone is good at something: where everyone feels capable, competent and creative in some respect; where enterprise is not a dirty word, nor wealth a social crime; where intellect, ideas and cultural understanding are properly admired, but not improperly deferred to.

To achieve all that needs a huge re-think in education everywhere and not just the protection of the bastions of a genuine liberal education.

What we now need to foster in all our homes, as well as in all our schools and colleges, is the spirit of enquiry: the desire to learn in order to be better able to contribute, create or achieve something, and the self-confidence which comes with that: the self-discipline which has to accompany such learning: the willingness to experiment, be it with an opinion, a computer program or a piece of design: and, perhaps above all, the importance of developing a set of values and principles which can inform one's choices in life.

Such things, if well learnt and well practised, will promote both our enterprise and our civilization and even our sport; they can be learnt just as well in the history class as in the engineering department or in the kitchen at home, and preferably in all three.

What is certain, however, is that they are not acquired by sitting and listening, but have to be accompanied by active doing of some sort: that knowledge alone is not enough and that conventional examinations tell only a tiny part of each individual's story and deter so many more than they encourage.

A good liberal education may do most of these things, but I prefer to call it all education for capability and I want it for everyone, not just for the more intellectual or, at the other extreme, for the so-called non-academic.

To polarize the debate between vocationalism and liberalism is to miss a huge opportunity and one which many of our schools at least are now eager to seize.

Yours faithfully,
CHARLES HANDY (Chairman, Education for Capability),
Royal Society of Arts,
John Adam Street,
Adelphi, WC2.

ON THIS DAY

AUGUST 22 1907

FROM A MOTORIST'S NOTE-BOOK

...At the beginning of this year *The Times* published an article on speed on the highways, licit and illicit, which was fortunate enough to receive the approval of the official organ of the Motor Union as well as to express forcibly the feelings of the non-motoring public. It was then remarked that many motorists drive far too fast in urban districts, but that it was generally agreed that these offenders rarely live in the neighbourhood they afflict. The recommendations of the Royal Commission were significantly cited. Speed, these recommendations advised, was not only to be controlled by prosecutions for reckless driving as provided for by Section 1 of the Act of 1903, but also "in towns and villages and at dangerous corners, steep hills, and similar places, where caution is required, by a 12-mile speed limit where adopted by the local authorities," as provided for by the proposed new Act. The passing of the new Act has been deferred; but it seems that the local authorities have not remained passive on that account. If it were not possible to secure at once a new 12-mile limit easily, they have in many cases decided to try to obtain the old 10-mile limit with difficulty. Such has been one of the results of the last six months of motoring, though these months have been more unfavourable to the progress of motoring and more free from the dust nuisance than any like period since the inception of the movement. This has happened in spite of urgent warnings from the journals whose authority is devoted to the larger interests of the public, in spite of the calming influence on public opinion of the report of the Royal Commission, and in spite of the general belief that much would depend on the behaviour of motor-drivers when the last 10,000 or 15,000 cars took to the road . . .

When a speed limit has been sanctioned, it is certain that the case for it must have been strong enough to withstand a searching ordeal of disparagement at the hands of the energetic Secretary of the Motor Union, Mr Rees Jeffreys. When, therefore, out of the wealth of this personal experience, and with the responsibility of his official position, Mr Jeffreys publishes an article entitled "A Crisis and the Remedy", the incident is sufficient to give pause to the most *insouciant* motorist. "If proof were needed," he begins, "that members of the general committee of the Motor Union recognize the gravity of the crisis into which a few selfish and inconsiderate drivers have this summer plunged the pastime of touring, it is to be found in the manner in which member after member, assembled at Southport, rose and solemnly supported the recommendation of the Highways Protection Committee to place responsible agents on the roads in certain towns and villages." . . .

A week ago *The Times* published a letter from a correspondent who had wished to obtain the names and addresses of the owner of a motor-car which had run down his son and his bicycle. He was surprised to find that not only had he to apply to the clerk of the county council where the car was registered, but that he was required to forward a fee of 1s. before he could obtain the desired information. His better course would have been to apply to the Chief Constable of the place where the mishap occurred; and he would have found that, if his evidence were *prima facie* likely to inculpate the motor-driver, he would only have to promise to supply it at the right time and the policy would do the rest. The reason why the Legislature refused to allow the registers of numbers and owners to be open to any chance inquirer was the well-grounded apprehension that such easy means of identification would lead to blackmailing. This is the sort of thing which cannot be too carefully guarded against. In the light of recent developments protection from promiscuous publicity is more than ever desirable . . .

A journey into the Midlands led the present writer several days ago through the city of Coventry. He found himself contending with the throng collected by the Godiva pageant and procession, and was thus cogently reminded that the city of cycles and motors was still at heart the city of a thousand years. Interest in the memories and traditions of the Middle Ages was, however, inconveniently united to a stolid indifference to the passing motor-car, and progress was practicable only by help of the gentle art of ramming. On the return journey two days later, however, all had settled down to work again, the factories were in full activity, the grey box-seated cars were rushing out for test runs. It was difficult to remember that one of the peculiarities of the motor-car industry in Britain is the wide extent of its geographical distribution, reaching as it does from the banks of Loch Lomond to places so southerly as Guildford and Farnham.

Pot luck

From Mrs Enid Wells

Sir, The other day a friend and I stopped at a well-advertised venue in Kent for a "farmhouse cream tea". This turned out to be a tea-bag in a bright red plastic two-cup size container, accompanied by two tiny plastic containers of milk; cream in a little red plastic pot; butter in foil and strawberry jam in a plastic bubble (with strawberry fields less than 100 yards away). The scones at least were home-made. But what a travesty of a traditional farmhouse tea.

Yours faithfully,
ENID WELLS,
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Matfield, Tonbridge, Kent.
August 15.

THE ARTS: 1

Television

Heights of hope

Fairy-tales *can* come true: it has happened to us, as *Equinox*, Channel 4's admirable new science series, demonstrated last night. The programme compared the optimistic dreams of city living from early in this century to the real conurbations of the present.

With a heady blend of old fantasy films, documentaries from New York's world fairs and modern actuality, we were invited to compare the visions with the cities created afterwards. Here were skyscrapers, described as temples of commerce, the answer to getting the highest rents from the world's most lucrative crumb of real estate, Manhattan Island.

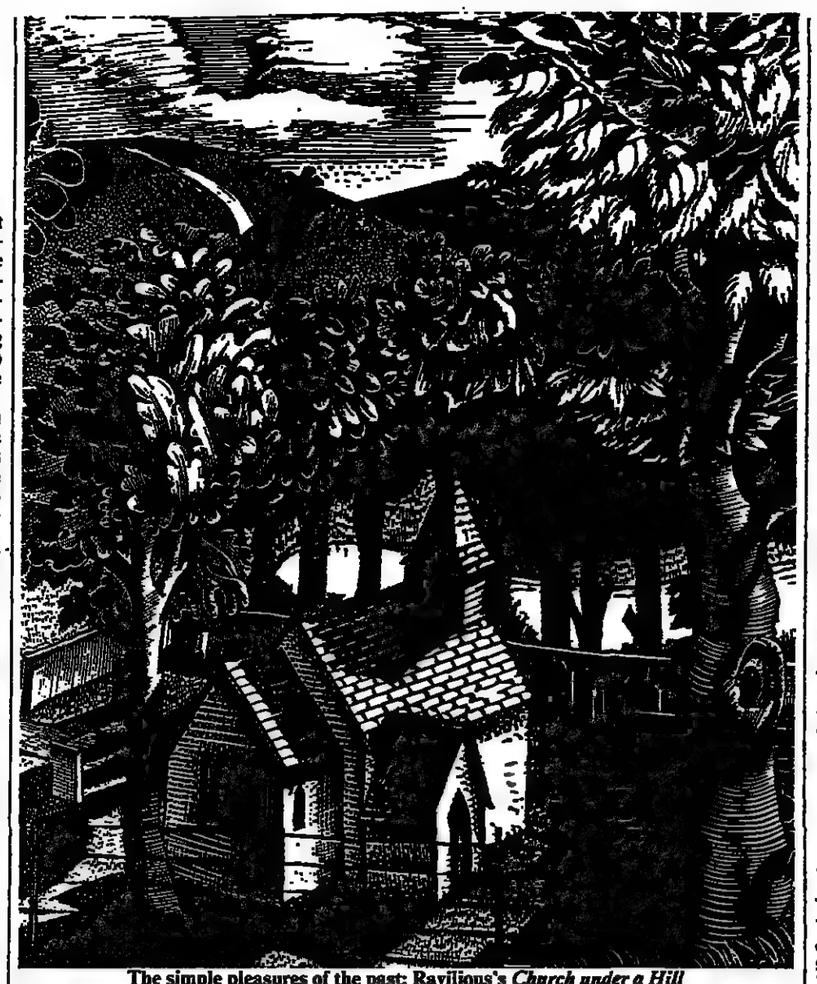
Technology leapt to meet the new challenges of high-rise living. We explored the question of the skyscrapers' doors. Le Corbusier's drawings seldom showed tower-block doors in detail; the downdrafts created by the buildings made it impossible to open a conventional door at the bottom of the 70 storeys. The Americans found the solution — the revolving door — and also invented fast elevators, escalators and many other solutions to problems which stumped European metropolis creators.

The programme began with the flair and confidence which is becoming characteristic of this valuable new strand, but occasionally lost itself in the fascination of its own material. Pessimistic contemporary visions of the city, like the films *Blade Runner* and *Brazil*, would have been a valuable addition to the thesis.

Some fantasies persisted but never left the drawing-board — like helicopters, pedestrian walkways and labour-saving kitchens. Other aspects of the future were evidently unimaginable 50 years ago. No woman was ever seen pursuing a career; instead women were idealized only as domestic drudges who would be freed by automation for a life of leisure.

Such nonsense was far from the scenario of *Strong Medicine* (ITV), the first half of Arthur Halley's saga of a woman's rise to the top of the pharmaceutical industry. "Cute! Is that how you see my work?" snarled Pamela Sue Martin, the termagant refugee from *Dynasty*. Here was proof that the feminist male can be more strident than the female.

Celia Brayfield



The simple pleasures of the past: Ravilious's *Church under a Hill*

Galleries

Eric Ravilious 1903-42
Towner Art Gallery, Eastbourne

As Nikolaus Pevsner used so eloquently to remind us, the Englishness of English art embraces far more than is dreamed of in cosy farmhouse kitchens or is ecstasized over by enthusiasts for antique steam trains, shaggy dogs and the gentle curves of the South Downs. All the same, those are not bad places to start a definition, and looking at the works of Eric Ravilious *en masse*, as at the retrospective show presented by the Towner Art Gallery, Eastbourne, until September 7, one can easily slip into the happy fallacy of supposing that that is all there is.

In a way this is nearer the truth than the opposite assumption, which is that Ravilious, like Betjeman, is very charming and all that, but ultimately minor and peripheral. True, his subject matter does include a large number of cosy country interiors, and he did have a passion for elderly and abandoned machines. He also had a very *Saturday Book* sort of nostalgia for the simple pleasures of the past: even in 1938 the coloured lithographs in his book *High Street*, published (naturally) by *Country Life*, must have been more than a little backward-looking, with their images of an almost Edwardian way of life and shopping. But at the same time one should not underestimate the rigour and professional discipline with which he embodied his vision in drawing and watercolour and wood-engraving. Just because his work is so easy to approach, that does not mean that it was too easily arrived at.

Of course Ravilious also had the unhappy distinction of being the only Official War Artist killed on active service in the Second World War, and that does put him into a slightly different, if not necessarily in these pacific days any more fashionable, category. His war works are without exception very fine, everyday yet magical and evocative pictures of a new world above the clouds or, in his submarine lithographs, beneath the waves. His industrial design for Wedgwood, Stuart Crystal and other, in the Thirties, enterprising companies (including such esoterica as the Wedgwood Coronation mug for the abortive crowning of Edward VIII, a design happily salvaged with slight modifications for that of his niece) have an unsentimental crispness and elegance which keep the bogy of quaintness comfortably at bay.

Though nostalgia may well have a lot to do with a liking for Ravilious, his work comes over remarkably fresh and undated, and should find many new admirers with this show, which after Eastbourne goes on to Durham, Sheffield and Bristol, but sadly not to London.

John Russell Taylor

EDINBURGH FESTIVAL

Fringe theatre: Irving Wardle

Enraged expressions of self

I'll Go On
Assembly Rooms

My first response on arriving for this one-man Beckett show, to be greeted with a jolly brass band medley, was that I had wandered into the wrong theatre. The second surprise was the spectre of Barry McGovern in the likeness of a wicked old clown, dodging the follow-spots and taking gloating possession of his captive audience. It all seemed a great tease until he wound it up by defining what was to come. The show, he said, consisted of "waiting alone": at which point the Beckett fist contracted like iron.

I'll Go On, a Dublin Gate Theatre piece devised by Mr McGovern and Gerry Dukes, is assembled from passages of the postwar trilogy *Molloy*, *Malone Dies* and *The Unnameable*. Apart from the basic interest of releasing these claustrophobic monologues into theatrical speech, the justification for adaptation is that it reveals the unifying impulse that drives through the trilogy. The pattern is one of ruthless self-dismantling. In the world of Alex Molloy, Beckett is still dealing with characters and comic situations: Malone, soliloquizing in the morgue, still has a fictional identity and is not above cracking a joke for literary effect. In *The Unnameable*, everything has gone except the defiant self, and a vast anger at the swindle of human existence.

These are the familiar boundaries of Beckett's work, but Mr McGovern succeeds in stretching them far beyond the usual limits. His Molloy, clambering on a bike with crutches over the handlebars, and falling foul of giant policemen and gentle lady dog-owners, could be a figure out of Flann O'Brien. Flashing nutcracker snarls and grins of triumph when he hits upon the *mot juste* for the latest humiliation, he conveys the specifically Irish comic sense of thriving on poverty, destitution and physical collapse. The more hopeless the outward circumstances, the greater his relish in dwelling on them and the more implacable his determination to hang on to his bad luck as a proof that his mind is his own.

As Molloy, he sports a workhouse overcoat lined with back numbers of *The Times Literary Supplement*. For Malone, he goes into a shroud: first seen in back view crouched over a vault, and then swinging round with a great flourish, eyes glinting with malicious fun, very much alive in the tomb. In this section there are no events, only the stories with which Malone whiles away the time, and the variety of rhythm and emotional contrast he extracts from the lines came as a revelation to me: above all the ability to undercut poetry with brutal dismissals of poetic lies.

This finds its full development in the final section, where the verbal quest for truth is cast overboard along with everything else, leaving the self endlessly defining itself in enraged expression with the very instrument it is striving to discard. The transformation of the performer from the clown of the opening scene to the stripped Japanese-like virtuoso of the ending is awesome.

Official theatre: Sarah Hemming

Lauder
Portobello Town Hall

The first music-hall entertainer to receive a knighthood, Harry Lauder was something of a phenomenon. Born in Portobello (hence the venue) and ending up in a mansion, he was one of those curious, ambiguous Scottish figures respected by many, remembered with affection by many and dismissed with scorn by others. My hazy image of him previously stopped at a slightly eccentric-looking figure, outrageously over-clad in tartan, on dog-eared record-sleeves that contained idiosyncratic renderings of songs like "Stop Yer Ticklin', Jock" and "Deoch and Doris". For me then Jimmy Logan's show was educative, for others it was clearly evocative. But Logan is aiming at more than nostalgia, making it his task to go behind Lauder's image and uncover not only the man, and the reasons he donned his image, but the whole era that he stood for and was part of.

Beginning with a rehearsal at which Lauder holds the stage even while explaining his music notes, Logan demonstrates how he was a showman of the old school: thorough, determined and doggedly professional. The production, written by Logan himself, then goes on to reconstruct Lauder's life and, though contrived and overly stage-managed in places, it neatly uses a music-hall structure to move in and out of Lauder's life-story, allowing him to hold the audience with a combination of songs, stories, repartee and anecdotes, the while establishing a picture not only of Lauder himself but of the changing music-hall world in the early part of the century.

Logan as Lauder to the manner born

It is a warm, affectionate, warts-and-all portrait, and Logan (directed by Clive Perry) plays it to the manner born; his own ability to hold a stage perfectly matched to portraying Lauder's charisma. In his exploration of Lauder's rags-to-riches life and attitude to his own achievement Logan also touches on broader questions — the possibility of escape from the class system through show business and the images and self-images of the Scots and the way that these are used: *Lauder* here takes on board the charge of making mileage out of clichés.

Opera: Paul Griffiths

Eugene Onegin
King's Theatre

By all accounts this was a smoother night for the Maly Theatre than John Higgins experienced at their production of *The Queen of Spades*, but it was still far from happy. On two scenes, Tatiana's letter and the duel, the curtain failed to rise at the right moment, and the noises off suggested that the efforts to change sets were becoming somewhat heated.

Under such circumstances it would not be fair to make any final judgement on the company: one must just hope that the technical problems have been sorted out by the time of their third production, the new *Maria Stuart* by Sergei Slonimsky, which opens tonight. It is hard, nevertheless, to feel that fewer hitches would have made this *Onegin* seem any the less quaint.

The production is apparently quite new: the director Stanislav Gaudasinsky came to the company only in 1980. However the make-up, costumes and groupings, and most of all the unself-consciously romantic acting, took one back at least a quarter of a century in theatrical history. The orchestra sounded a bit whiskery too; though here the main impression was one of geographical more than chronological distance: the wobbly bassoon, the pinched oboe, the tight, buzzy cellos and the lopsided trumpet all spoke for the Russian tradition at its earthiest, without much benefit of fixed tuning. With so many hazards on stage, though, one must congratulate Valentin Kozhin on conducting the orchestra and himself so coolly.

Among the cast, Vladimir Ognovenko proved himself the most accomplished singer, delivering Gremin's aria with a firm, smiling warmth, and with a variety of colour that was conspicuously absent in other performances. E.Y. Kazarnovskaya's Tatiana, for instance, had just two kinds of vocal behaviour throughout: a very Russian, throbbing, mezzo-ish lower register and a bright top. She sounded either matronly or wild, and never girlish. Nikolai Kopilov as Onegin was further reduced to only one tone: the dim, almost swallowed voice that left very little room for expression. L.F. Ostrovsky (again the programme was deficient in first names and patronymics) showed some fighting spirit as Lensky, but the level of his performance, as of the whole evening, was of a merely provincial adequacy.

Promenade Concert

BBCSO/Atherton
Albert Hall/Radio 3

I doubt whether any other new piece in this year's Proms will have been received by an audience as large as that which heard Peter Dickinson's Piano Concerto, first given in 1984, on Wednesday. But then not all of them will have been so cunningly packaged. The BBC Symphony Orchestra prefaced it with Elgar's Introduction and Allegro and followed it with Rachmaninov's First Symphony, both marvellous pieces and both given here with plentiful warmth, space and emotion under the evening's excellent conductor, David Atherton.

Yet it would be wrong to dwell on these at the expense of the Dickinson, given with equally impressive understanding and confidence by the orchestra and the soloist (and dedicatee) Howard Shelley, for it is a work both rewarding intellectually and compelling aurally.

Dickinson's reputation rests perhaps too heavily upon the lighter side of his craft, which in numerous delightful small-scale pieces metamorphoses material by other composers into things quite different, often tinged with a whimsy influenced by the likes of Satie but flattering his models rather than savaging them. In this concerto, though, he is deadly serious. The music pays due homage to ragtime and blues, and Dickinson typically sets one sort of music simultaneously against another, much in the manner of Ives. But the result is an organism suffused with its own flavour, owing at the same time everything and nothing to other composers and other languages.

Dickinson begins his 25-minute single-movement structure with three clearly defined sections (everything in this work is clearly defined) that slowly and inexorably build up a grim tension, with an increasingly elaborate piano cadenza heard against the steady dirge of the horns. To dissolve this — it cannot be resolved — there is an almost shocking major chord, whereupon the music launches itself simultaneously into a fast toccata, played by the piano accompanied by bongos, and a slow blues, played by the strings. Then comes another obvious punctuation mark, in the form of a tam-tam stroke, and then more blues, this time decorated.

What comes next is the work's *coup de théâtre*, a scherzo which combines all the themes in the form of a rag and has them played by a second pianist in the orchestra while the soloist and the rest of the orchestra make their own comments. The visual effect of this is actually quite disturbing. To wind down from this undoubted high point Dickinson simply sums up what he has already said, with the blues, now harmonized in plain D major, having the last significant word.

Stephen Pettitt

Fringe dance: John Percival

Familiar favours

As Miles Kington has made clear on other pages over the past few days, the byways and fringes of Edinburgh at festival time can offer unexpected pleasures. But even his serendipitous flair might quail at the prospect of trawling fringe dance productions for new talents. Sometimes in the past it has worked, which is why one perseveres, but the minor blessings I found this year were all known names.

Those who want to try their own luck might welcome a few tips from an old hand who has sat through more bad dances, poorly performed in Edinburgh's lesser halls, than he cares to remember, and only rarely tiptoed away before the end when it became obvious that there was no hope at all of things getting better.

Rule No 1: Experience shows that there is more chance of good dancing and even of good choreography if a show or its instigators come from the USA. Rule No 2: Groups hailing from a reputable British dance school usuaully offer at least competent dancing, but this is no guarantee of choreography to match. Rule No 3: Avoid like the very devil groups who coyly give no idea at all of their provenance.

The best fringe dancing I found this year came from Shelley Lee (American, known in Britain as the founder of the former Basic Space company) and Scott Clark (American, known in Britain for his teaching and dancing at the Laban School), both at the Chaplaincy Centre in Bristo Square.

Lee's *Dream Dances*, part of a crazily ambitious long-term project, have ended now. Well crafted, they probably meant more to the dancer than to her audience, but were performed with delicate control of nuance. Clark's dances for himself and two colleagues are fluent, not quite as varied as the eclectic choice of music might suggest, but very well performed. Clark has a scrubbed, cropped, slightly bow-legged look to him like a young GI. Julie Blackman and Jonathan Thrift perform with presence.

The last number on their programme, a trio by Vera Blaine, Clark's former teacher at Ohio University, is given again two and a half hours later in a quintet version to end the programme by Instep, an all-woman group of Laban graduates. They work hard and optimistically, but their programmes show more discretion than talent. Both these shows run until the weekend.

Scottish Dance Theatre is playing at the Lyceum Studio until the festival ends, with a change of programme next week. Three of its five dancers come from the Scottish Ballet, which guarantees performing standards, and Pauline Laverty's playing as a bored, frustrated, angry woman in the last piece is excellent.

Unfortunately, by then many spectators had left, perhaps driven away by the programme's dreary content. Called *Theatrum Humanicae*, it looked more like a threatre of inhumanity. Peter Royston, the group's founder, seems drawn more to theatre than dance and his ideas are a lot less original than he probably thinks, while his own performances are self-indulgently heavy.

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Cinema: **David Robinson** reviews a legendary film released in full at last

Visconti's magnificent obsession

Ossessione (PG)
Renoir 2

Highlander (15)
Warner West End
(from August 29)

Target (15)
Leicester Square
Theatre

It has taken 44 years for **Ossessione** — Visconti's first film and a landmark in cinema history — to achieve a commercial release in this country. From time to time since the Fifties there have been National Film Theatre screenings, but these were generally the mutilated versions that went on release after the film's initial suppression by the fascist authorities in 1942. The version at the Renoir is intact at 140 minutes.

Visconti and his co-writers (Mario Alicata, Antonio Pietrangeli, Gianni Puccini and Giuseppe de Santis: Moravia also did some revision) consciously intended the film as a manifesto, a demonstration against the bland, approved escapism of the so-called "white telephone" cinema. The major literary influence on the young subversives was the verismo of the Sicilian writer Giovanni Verga, and Visconti's first plan was an adaptation of Verga's *Gramigna's Mistress*. This script however was returned by Mussolini's censor marked "No more bandits!".

Adaptations from foreign originals seemed to have a better chance of approval and, after trying treatments of novels by Alain-Fournier, Herman Melville, Julian Green and Thomas Mann, Visconti settled on James Cain's *The Postman Always Rings Twice*, which had already been filmed before the war in France.

The essential story is unchanged from the novel: Gino, an unemployed drifter, arrives at a highway pull-in and is given work by the owner, an amiable but gross middle-aged man married to a young and beautiful wife, Giovanna. Drawn into an obsessive love-affair, the young couple murder the husband to get him out of the way.

Beyond this the film departs signifiantly from the novel. Cain develops an artificial notion of providential justice. Visconti's film finds that tragedy and destruction lie in the characters of the people themselves, in human vulnerability to passion and human compulsion to betrayal. Just as the couple betray the husband by murdering him, so their own downfall will be effected by betrayal.

Less concerned than Cain with the mechanisms of the police investigation, Visconti introduces an entirely new and slightly mystifying element with the character of Il Spagnolo, a romantically inclined market huckster. To the extent that the codes of the time permitted, Visconti shows Il Spagnolo as a victim of obsessive love for Gino just as Gino is possessed by Giovanna. The elaborate pattern of desire and betrayal is completed when Il Spagnolo, finally spurned by Gino, denounces him to the police — a crucial scene missing from every known print of the film until this one.

The motivation and conflicts of the characters are developed with subtle complexity, but the real novelty of the film in its time was the relation of the people to their setting. "I wanted, above all, to tell stories of living people among things, not of things *per se*." It is Visconti's use of locations in the Po Delta and Ancona, the stark unlovely realism of the seedy pull-in with its unwashed dishes and unmade bed, the dust roads in the flat, unvaried landscape, that have earned *Ossessione* its reputation as the seminal moment of Italian Neo-Realism.

Visconti's approach to realism comes less from Verga than the pre-war French cinema of Carné, Duvivier, Chenal and above all Renoir, with whom from 1936 he had worked as assistant. (Mira Liehm's indispensable new study of Italian cinema since this film, *Passion and Defiance*, cites a fascist newspaper of 1943 which condemns *Ossessione* for "imitating the French kind of realism that must not be transferred to Italy: the movie is a concoction of repulsive passions, humiliations and decay".)

It is currently fashionable to question the film's place as the source of Neo-Realism, since the socio-political preoccupations later characteristic of the school are absent — not surprisingly given the climate of the times: as it was Visconti, Alicata and Puccini were imprisoned by the secret police during shooting. The film's influence upon both Rossellini and De Sica is however undeniable.

The triumph of *Ossessione* is that it reappears now not as an archive revival but as a film with all its power intact. None of the principal performances has dated. Gino is the handsome, sexy, 24-year-old Massimo Girotti. As Giovanna, Clara Calamai, a popular star in *femme fatale* roles, seizes the opportunity of a more rewarding character. There is, too, a startling and affecting performance, in the role of a young prostitute, by Dhia Cristiani, a gifted actress who later chose to restrict her work to dubbing other players' voices.

The hard fact that today's commercial cinema has to face is that the great power of patronage lies with the young teenage audience, and that they call the tune. **Highlander**, which had its première at the Edinburgh Film Festival last night and opens in London today week, is symptomatic of this economic reality, one of a growing group of films in which huge resources of money, technology and craftsmanship are lavished on scenarios more suited to strip cartoons.

Highlander is a mishmash of synthetic mythology, about a group of immortal beings, variously representative of good and evil, who can only be destroyed by beheading. They meet from time to time through the ages, to fight for the prize of universal intelligence, which must never pass to Kurgan the Evil, whose neck is held together with safety-pins after repeated attempts on his immortality ("Who wontster live frevva?" asks a pertinent Queen song on the sound-track).

The sword-fighting shifts from 16th-century Scotland to 1986 New York, with little rhyme or reason: but —, to show that we can do this sort of thing as well as the Americans — the photography (Gerry Fisher) is spectacular and the special effects (the credit titles list an army of wizards) are astonishing and faultless. The film is calculated for an audience which demands only an unrelenting succession of visual effects, backed by an overpowering sound-track. The director, Russell Mulcahy, comes appropriately from the world of pop video.

The most baffling special effect of all is how the Neanderthal face of Christopher Lambert, who plays the Highlander hero, is maintained in a constant state of three days' beard-growth. Presumably this is where the skill of the credited "prosthetic make-up artist" comes in.

It is hard to know what possessed the distinguished Arthur Penn to take on such stuff as Howard Berk's and Don Petersen's script for **Target**. The initial premise is novel: when a Dallas businessman and his distanced teenage son take off in search of the wife, kidnapped during a European vacation, the son discovers that his seemingly boring, conformist Dad has a hair-raising past with the CIA, which now begins to catch up on them.

After this it collapses into the corniest conventions of espionage melodrama — European streets packed with sinister pursuers, crazy car-chases, crazier coincidences, *femmes fatales*, a vengeful, wheelchair-bound mastermind, double and triple agents, and a CIA boss you know from the start is the real villain because he acts so badly. Gene Hackman and Gayle Hunnicutt play the parents: the worst thing is that Matt Dillon, fast growing to be one of the best young Hollywood actors, is given a role so dumb that it makes Charlie Chan's Number One Son look like Einstein.

Performances undated even now: Massimo Girotti and Dhia Cristani in *Ossessione*

Mara Zampieri's dominating Lady Macbeth

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Verdi assigned *Macbeth* to the *genere funtastico*, and that remark may well have given the cue to the Romanian director Patrika Ionesco, who allowed himself unlimited licence in an extravagant and elaborate staging of the work in the enormous Roman theatre at Orange. Such a vast arena constitutes an open invitation to indulge in spectacular effects, and Ionesco did not deny himself.

Billowing stretches of cloth (suggesting, incongruously, surplus parachute material) covered the stage for the blasted heath, ringed by a set of gallows having some resemblance to lampposts. Symbols of power and decay proliferated: a huge crown, borne by servitors in the manner of waiters carrying an immense wedding-cake; at the back of the stage, a semicircle of vast tombstones, reflecting the message of the gallows: an abundance of witchlike motifs, including a parade of crescent moons looking like melon-slices on poles; and, projected on the back wall of the theatre, the image of a dagger to accompany Macbeth's inner musings. Much of this was entertaining, but all too often there was descent into complete absurdity.

Musically, the performance demonstrated rather more consistency in its attention to Verdi's opera. Thomas Fulton, the young Memphis-born conductor who is now associate at the Metropolitan in New York, confirmed his real quality, discernible in his *Boris* at Orange last year, with a reading which was taut, vigorous and incisive.

On stage, the performance was dominated by an extraordinarily fine assumption of Lady Macbeth by the Italian soprano Mara Zampieri. It was characterized by judicious use of a powerful chest register, together with the ability (also an attribute of one of her illustrious predecessors in the role, Margherita Grandi) to manage a finely-graded diminuendo, fining the voice down to a slender thread of sound. Zampieri possesses a formidable vocal technique, allied to real histrionic ability, so that her Lady Macbeth was a creation of impressive energy and authority who, very properly, took complete charge of the proceedings. In the interval it was announced that she was suffering from an unspecified malaise (it could easily have been exhaustion from the heat, as she had not spared herself) and, although there was no sign of an vocal impairment, she elected not to attempt the high D flat at the end of the sleepwalking scene.

Among the other rewards of the evening were a thoughtful and detailed characterization of the title-role by the ever-reliable Piero Cappuccilli; a solidly-sung Banquo by John Tomlinson; splendidly sonorous work by the Choeur National Bulgare Svetoslav Obretnov; responsive playing by the Orchestre National de France; and, finally, a remarkably robust and ringing Macduff from the Japanese tenor Taro Ichihara.

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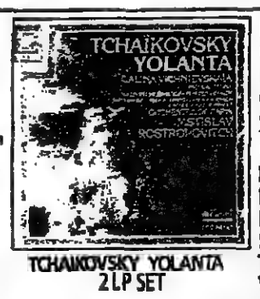

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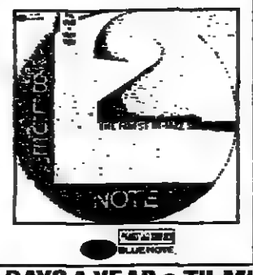

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The carry-over scores are based on 40 per cent of their results against the other three leading teams and 20 per cent of those scored against the two eliminated teams.

Standings
1 J M Armstrong, G T Kirby, R S Brock, A R Forrester, with a score 194, 61.4 carried forward: 2 S Fishpool, D J Greenwood, A Calderwood, D Shek, 172, 52.2 cf: 3 A P Sowter, S J Lodge, Mrs S Landy, Mrs S Horton, 169, 46.4 cf: 4 I N Rose, R Smolski, R M Sheehan, M J Flint: 157, 48.4 cf.

Marriages

Mr J.H. Andrew and Miss J.L. Small
The marriage took place on Saturday, August 16, at St Peter's Church, Scremerston, of Mr James Houston Andrew, son of Mr A.H. Andrew and the late Mrs Andrew, of Byways, Hertford, and Miss Jane Louise Small, daughter of Colonel and Mrs J. I. M. Small, of Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland. The Rev Philip Whitehead officiated, assisted by the Right Rev Edward Norman.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Miss Angela Reese, Miss Charlotte Burns, Julia Small, Claire Brotherston and Kate Small. Mr Mathew Ferrey was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon is being spent abroad.

Mr S.Q. Ball and Miss S.K. Lock
The marriage took place on Saturday, August 16, at All Saints Church, Marlow, between Mr Stephen Ball, son of Mr and Mrs T. T. Ball, of Windsor, and Miss Siân Lock, daughter of Mr and Mrs T. G. Lock, of Gerrards Cross.

Dr R.G. Mitchell and Miss K.A. Appleby
The marriage took place on August 20, at Marylebone Register Office, Westminster, of Dr Robert Grieg Mitchell, son of the late Mrs Joan Helen Mitchell, and Dr William John Mitchell, and Miss Karen Asta Appleby, daughter of Mr and Mrs S. Maxwell Appleby, of North Ferriby, East Riding of Yorkshire.

Latest wills

Lady Greta Lyons, of Wappenbury Hall, Wappenbury, Warwickshire, widow of Sir William Lyons, founder of Jaguar Cars, left estate valued at £4,433,491 net.

Mrs Jeannie Fettes Hoskins, of Kingsway Court, Queens Gardens, Hove, East Sussex, who through her agency Celebrity Service became an informative part of the London social scene, left £105,985 net. She bequest £1,000 to the Saints and Sinners Club.

Appointments

Latest appointments include:
Mr Ian Powe to be director of the Gas Consumers' Council, which comes into being tomorrow.
Legal
Mr Justice Bingham to be a Lord Justice of Appeal.

Apothecaries' Society

The following have been elected officers of the Apothecaries' Society for the ensuing year: Master, Mr W F W Southwood. Senior Warden, Dr J F Fletcher. Junior Warden, Colonel F G Neild.

Science report

War and peace role for revolutionary laser beam

Since the first laser flashed to life 25 years ago, none has come along that is more radical in design than the free electron laser, FEL. Its unique features endow the device with great power and flexibility.

A dozen free electron lasers operate in laboratories around the world, but researchers are racing to exploit their potential and to build others that are bigger and better.

Rapid advances are pushing them to the forefront of efforts to create intense light beams for a variety of revolutionary uses in medicine, chemistry, pharmaceuticals, electronics, energy production, and beam weapons.

Dr Charles A. Brau, a pioneer at the Los Alamos National Laboratory, in New Mexico, said free electron lasers provided the best chance of "achieving the absolutely incredible power you need for the laser propulsion of rocket ships."

"Over the next decade, it's going to have a profound impact on basic science and application engineering," said Dr John J. M. Madey, a physicist at Stanford University, who is among inventors of the device.

Lasers work by stimulating electrons that normally orbit around the nucleus of an atom of a carefully chosen material, which determines the type of light they emit.

In contrast to regular lasers, the free electrons are not bound to atoms. Like the electron guns in television sets, FELs fire free electrons and accelerate them. This freedom results in all kinds of unique qualities, such as the ability to "tune" to any wavelength from microwave to the ultraviolet — and researchers are vying to extend its range up the electromagnetic spectrum to include X-rays.

These new devices can develop enormous power since they are more efficient. Where conventional lasers often work with an efficiency of a few percent, FELs have already achieved efficiencies of 42 per cent and are heading for 70 per cent or higher.

The potential for creating huge bursts of laser light has attracted support from the Stars Wars research programme. A $1 billion FEL test facility is being built in the New Mexico desert. When finished in the early 1990s the site will be staffed by hundreds of technicians.

Just cooling the device will require more than 450 million gallons of water a year. It will be the biggest and most powerful laser on Earth.

The device operates on a simple natural principle: an electron whose path is bent by a magnetic field will emit a photon or particle of light.

Dr Madey successfully tried his novel idea on electron accelerators at Stanford University. There, an accelerator boosted electrons to near the speed of light and fired them into a magnetic "wiggler," where they were forced to emit light, creating a laser beam.

Medical researchers at the Massachusetts General Hospital and Stanford Univeristy, among other institutions, are exploring their use for surgery.

The Lawrence Livermore laboratory in California and the Los Alamos laboratory in New Mexico are racing to perfect a giant new type of FEL, the winning design to be built in the New Mexican desert. Both laboratories are federal facilities devoted primarily to the design of nuclear weapons.

New York Times Science Service.

O level maths for boy, eight

By Craig Seton

An eight year old primary school boy who loves Donald Duck cartoons and Enid Blyton books heard yesterday that he had become the youngest pupil in Britain to pass O level mathematics.

John Adams sailed through the examination to get a B grade and is now studying to take A level maths, probably next year.

One of seven children, from the Leicestershire village of Asfordby, near Melton Mowbray, he passed the examination a year earlier than Ruth Lawrence, another maths "genius" who gained a First in maths at Oxford University at the age of 13.

He said: "It is brilliant. I expected a B pass. I think an A was a bit too high for an eight year old. I was not worried — I just like using my brain against problems."

John could read newspapers at two and was tackling algebra and computer problems at three. He wants to be a mathematics professor and to go to Oxford University.

John, a pupil at the village's Captain's Close primary school, prepared for his examination with half an hour's extra work each night with his father Ken, aged 46, a maths teacher and his mother Pat, aged 41, a former bank worker.

Mr Adams, who passed his own O level maths two years earlier than the usual age of 16, told *The Times*: "We are absolutely thrilled. John must have the same sort of brain as Ruth Lawrence, but in every other way he is just an ordinary boy who loves football and snooker.

John Adams, aged eight, yesterday, after hearing he had passed O level maths with a grade B.

OBITUARY

HERMIONE BADDELEY

Mistress of revue who never lost talent for straight acting

Hermione Baddeley, actress, who died on August 19 at the age of 79, began her career as a girl of precocious dramatic power, in her early teens, and went on to be an unexampled artist in the flowering of intimate revue. There, she was irrepressible, with a virtuosity never richer than in the Herbert Farjeon productions at the Little Theatre during the late 1930s.

She knew everything about rapid make-up and the use of properties. Though she held to the Farjeon texts, in later years she could be unpredictable. A partner, Henry Kendall, recalled that again and again he had to stand shaking with laughter, his back to the audience, hoping for some cue that would return him to the script.

Though she often acted in films, Hermione Baddeley was happiest in the theatre, developing from what Basil Dean described as a small child, dark and thin, with large eyes set in an impish face, to the ample and exuberant "Totie", rarely the same in consecutive scenes. Yet, mistress of revue though she was, and in her heyday so socially fashionable that someone adapted to her Kipling's line, "I am Town; I am all that ever went with evening dress", she longed to become again the straight actress that she was originally.

Born in Shropshire on November 13, 1906, youngest of four sisters - of whom her immediate senior was the very successful actress, Angela Baddeley - she was educated privately and at an early age joined the Margaret Morris School of Dancing. Then she travelled for three years with the Arts League of Service.

She had a few small parts in London before her overwhelming success, under Basil Dean's management, as the disorderly slum waif in Charles McEvoy's *The Likes of 'er* (1923). In this she had the celebrated scene where, as a curative exercise, the girl is encouraged to smash a pile of china plates. Presently for Dean, also at the St Martin's (1924), she was the murderous young half-caste in Galsworthy's *The Forest*.

When everyone was seeing her as the dramatic actress of the future, she defected to revue: *The Punch Bowl* (Duke of York's, 1924), *The Co-Optimists* (1925), and four productions by Cochran. Other things also: she was in a medley of comedies, farces, and musicals from which the only valuable part to emerge was Sara in Bridie's *Tobias and the Angel* (Westminster, 1932).

After a long run in *The Greeks Had a Word for It* (1934), with her sister Angela, revue largely possessed her: Beverley Nichols's *Floodlight* (Saville, 1937), and especially the Farjeon shows at the Little (1938-40). Off stage she was now intensely involved in the West End social round.

Hermione Baddeley in two phases of her life: in 1935 (left), and in the role of Alderman Mrs Beddows in the 1974 television adaptation of South Riding.

In *Nine Sharp* and *The Little Revue*, Herbert Farjeon's wit was matched exactly to her bravura in such characters as the valetudinarian wintering at Torquay, a Windmill girl in "Voilà les Non-stop Nudes", and an agitated ballerina. When she was ill, Farjeon had to engage, briefly, five understudies to cover her parts.

So it went on: her partnership with the more astringent Hermione Gingold in *Rise Above It* (Comedy, 1941); her work in Leslie Henson's *The Gaieties* (Winter Garden, 1945) after a long period with him abroad, entertaining the troops for ENSA; and, in 1948, Alan Melville's *A la Carte* (Savoy).

Occasionally, before this, she had contrived to return to the straight theatre, as the warm-hearted Ida Arnold in a version of *Brighton Rock* (1943) and a double role in *Grand National Night* (1946). During 1949, she and Gingold amused themselves briskly in the revived *Fallen Angels*, behaviour which the author, Noël Coward, seeing it in Plymouth, thought intolerable but to which, when it did well in London, he gave a polite blessing.

Hermione Baddeley found nothing important in various plays of the 1950s, but in 1953 she had her last revue triumph, a production called in Hammersmith *At the Lyric*, and, at the St Martin's, *Going to Town*. Here, a housewife, television-bemused, she could cope with domestic affairs only during a "technical hitch".

On her New York début in 1961, she was the mother in *A Taste of Honey*, at the Spoleto Festival, Italy (1962), and on Broadway (1963) critics praised her moving creation of Flora Goforth, blend of bitter sadness and high comedy, in Tennessee Williams's *The Milk Train Doesn't Stop Here Anymore*.

She came back to London in 1966 to take over the radio actress in *The Killing of Sister George*, transferred to her mascot theatre, the St Martin's. She had two other testing London parts: the appalling Mrs Peachum of *The Threepenny Opera* (1972) and the Mother in a revived and far too verbose piece, *Mother Adam* (1973), at Hampstead. Later, she worked generally in Hollywood and for American television, but in 1982 she was on Broadway in Anthony Shaffer's play, *Whodunnit*.

She had made her film début in *Guns of Loos* in 1928, and though the cinema came second to her stage career she was often effective in character parts, exploiting her gift for comedy and making a speciality of cheery lower-class women. During the 1940s and early 1950s she was in such films as *Kipps*, *Brighton Rock* (repeating her stage role as Ida), *Passport to Pimlico*, *Quartet* and *Scrooge*.

She was nominated for an Oscar in 1959 for her portrayal of Elspeth, the actress friend of Simone Signoret, in *Room at the Top*. It was a comparatively small part which she made vivid. She was the housekeeper, Ellen, in *Mary Poppins*, and later films included *The Unsinkable Molly Brown* and *The Black Windmill*. She became a familiar face on American television through her appearances in popular comedy shows like *Bewitched* and *Maude*.

Her home during the last 20 years or so of her life was in Los Angeles, but she used to re-visit England at least once a year.

Both her marriages, to the Hon David Tennant and, later, to Captain J. H. Willis, MC, were dissolved. There was one son and one daughter from the first marriage. Her autobiography, *The Unsinkable Hermione Baddeley* (1984), was generously warm-hearted and cheerfully vague about dates.

PROFESSOR BRIAN COLLINGE

Professor Brian Collinge, who held a personal chair in the department of physics at Liverpool University from 1970 to 1982, died on August 8. He was 64.

Collinge was born in Southport on September 27, 1921, and, following education at the local grammar school, served during the war in the Signals Research and Development Establishment, Ministry of Supply.

In 1945, he entered the physics department at Liverpool University as an undergraduate, and, after his appointment to the staff of the department in 1949, remained there until his retirement.

His chosen field was the development of electronic equipment for research, and he was well known and respected nationally and internationally by physicists carrying out research in nuclear and high energy particle physics.

He was an excellent administrator and a skilled chairman of committees, serving the university well in both capacities. In a wider field he acted as an adviser to the Science Research Council's Daresbury and Rutherford Laboratories, and was prominent in the working parties which led to the Flowers Report on university computers and to the setting up of the National Computer Board.

It was, however, the physics department at Liverpool which claimed his allegiance in spite of many attractive offers from elsewhere, and its development since the war, both in research and teaching, owes much to him.

During this period research in physics was becoming steadily more dependent on sophisticated electronics and computer techniques, and Collinge was always at the forefront of developments. He built up a strong electronics support group within the department and was often able to supply the research teams with equipment well in advance of anything available elsewhere.

This support was an important factor in maintaining the position of eminence which is now held by the department in the fields of nuclear and particle physics and, more recently, in solid state physics.

Collinge contributed many papers to scientific and technical journals, and numerous developments of his group were included and acknowledged in publications by other members of staff.

His many friends will remember him for his sympathetic and kindly nature and the enthusiasm with which he approached the solution of any problem, scientific or otherwise. He had a lifelong interest in birdwatching and the natural world, and was an expert gardener.

He is survived by his wife, Betty, and two sons.

DR ERIC DINGWALL

A. O. G. writes:

Your admirable obituary notice of Dr E. J. Dingwall (August 14) is not altogether correct in stating that he never married.

Of his first wife, Doris Dunn, whom he married in 1918, he once remarked that he lost her in the London Underground about 1930 and had not seen her since.

With his second wife, Dr Margaret Davies, he passed in the 1960s and 1970s what were undoubtedly the happiest years of his life in their beautiful home at Crowhurst, Sussex.

Her death some eight years ago was a crippling blow from which he never fully recovered. She epitomized a side of Dingwall that was not always recognized - the unobtrusive yet practical kindness that underlay his sometimes combative personality.

A work by which Dingwall himself set great store was *Abnormal Hypnotic Phenomena: A Survey of Nineteenth Century Cases* (4 vols; 1967/68), which he edited and in substantial part wrote.

No-one knew the early literature of hypnotism better than he, and in these volumes his bibliographical interests, his interest in conjuring and mental magic, and his interests in the unusual, the abnormal, the paranormal and the psychologically peculiar came together to make up what is in many ways his most characteristic achievement.

MR JOHN BINNS

Mr John Binns, formerly MP for Keighley, and the first local man to represent the constituency, died on August 6 at the age of 72.

After long service as a local politician, which included being Mayor of Keighley in 1958/59, he was elected Labour MP in 1964 and held the seat until 1970.

In 1973, he left the Labour Party in protest against what he regarded as its inexorable drift to the Left, and later helped to form the local SDP. In 1982, he unsuccessfully contested Keighley's West Ward as an Alliance candidate.

He leaves a widow and one son.

THE YEYELUA OF IFE

Her Highness the Olori Yetunde Sijuwade the Yeyelua of Ife, wife of the Ooni of Ife, died in London on August 17. She was 56.

She was the eldest daughter of the late Bishop Oyebode of Ibadan, and trained as a nurse in Britain.

She married Prince Sijuwade - the present Ooni - in October, 1959. As his consort, she gave active support to her husband in the task of ruling the ancient Kingdom of Ife, at Ile Ife, which is regarded as the cradle of the Yoruba race, and her influence was felt in the field of social work throughout Nigeria.

Mr Peter Laing, QC, who overcame the disability of losing both legs during the Second World War to practise successfully for over 20 years at the Montreal Bar, died on July 26. He was 70.

For many years he was a governor of McGill University and acted as its solicitor. Despite the loss of his legs, he learned to walk and even dance, ski and play tennis on artificial limbs.

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Job 19. 25

BIRTHS

ARMITAGE On August 19th, to Barbara and Robin, a daughter, Catherine Olivia Rose, a sister for Meriel.

BARNHAM - On 16th August, at Bristol Maternity Hospital, to Hilary (née Stride) & Jonathan, a son (Christopher Ratcliffe).

BOWERS - On 27th of July, at Cuckfield Hospital, Sussex to Jackie (née Goddard) and Jon, a son, David Stanley.

CALLAGHAN - On 29th July, 1986 at Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge, to Anne Lake and Nicolas Richard Callaghan, a son, Simon Thomas.

CHERRILL - On August 19th, in Singapore to Jaye (née Collins) and Nik, a daughter, Rosannah Elizabeth.

HANNAN - On August 18th, in California, to Kristine and Paul, a son, Neil Walker.

HILL - On 18th August, at Nether Edge, Sheffield, to Charlotte (née Huggins) and Peter, a daughter, Alice Elizabeth Warren.

HOTHAM - On 20th August, at Dalton Hall, to Daisy, widow of Peter (Clapham), quadruplets.

HUDSON - On 14th August, to Jean and Harry, a son, Huw Rhys, brother for Sian and David.

JENNINGS - On August 17th, to Carol and Nicholas, a son, Callum William Hay, at home in Toronto, Canada.

JONES - On August 9th at King's College Hospital, London, to Krystyna (nee Tusiewicz) and Phillip, a son, Edward Henryk Ellis.

LAIRD CRAIG - On August 20th, to Rocky and Adrian, a sister, for Robert and Mary.

McDERMOTT / DARRER - On August 14th, to Isabelle (née Darrer) and Keith Elisler, a daughter, Stephanie Albertine mrs. A sister for Collis, Sebastian and Charles-Henri.

MICHELL - On August 16th, to Louise and Michael, a daughter, Alice Charlotte, a sister for Victoria.

MILLER - On 14th August, 1986, to Julie (nee Clarke) and Chris, a daughter, Natasha.

NETTELFIELD - On 13th August, 1986, in New York City, to Bettyann and Jonathan, a daughter, Joanna.

REEVES On August 19th, to Tracey (nee Porter) and Trevor, a daughter Amarinta Jane.

ROACH - On 27th July, to Katie and Stewart, a daughter, Catherine Sarah Rebeccah.

SCROPE 19th August to Peter & Penny (née Davies) a daughter Victoria Emily Louise a sister Alexandra.

STEPHENSON - On August 4th, to Hilary (née George) and Richard, at St Mary's, Manchester, a son, Edmund Richard George.

STEWART - On 16th August, 1986, to Tokiko (née Naito) and Alexander (Sandy) a daughter, Fiona.

WESLEY - On 21st August, to Verena and Nicholas, a daughter.

MARRIAGES

de VERE : HURST - The marriage took place in London, on 19th August, 1986 between Anthony de Vere and Rosemary Hurst.

McDONAGLE : KELWAY - On August 16th, in London, Dr Timothy McDonagle and Dr Sally Kelway.

THOMAS : FAIREY - On 16th August, at Yealand Conyers, Lancashire, Paul Istwyn, son of Mr and Mrs G. Thomas of Carmarthen to Rosalind Henderson, daughter of Mr and Mrs J M. Fairey of Yealand Conyers, Lancashire.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARIES

WROTTESLEY : WILDE - On August 22nd, 1936, at St. Augustine's, Edgbaston, Birmingham, John Wrottesley to Marjorie Mary (Biddy) Wilde: still living in Warrington Crescent, London W9.

DEATHS

BADDELEY - On August 19th, peacfully in hospital, Hermione Baddeley. Funeral service at St Michaels Church, Wilsford, on Saturday, August 30th, 3.00 p.m. Flowers to St Michael's Church, or donations to Actors Benevolent Fund, 6 Adam Street, London WC2.

BIDDLECOMBE - On 17th August, 1986, a fine gentleman who died suddenly whilst at home, Eric Holman, of 1 Sandover House, Ormond Rd, Richmond, Surrey. Funeral in Richmond Parish Church, Tuesday August 26th at 2pm, where friends and parishioners are all welcome to join the family service. Donations and retiring collection in lieu of flowers, to the Church Missionary Society.

COSS. - On August 21st, Iris Hilda Gordon, peacefully at Emsworth. Much loved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend. Funeral at Compton Church, at 2pm, on Monday, September 1st. Flowers to T.Couzens & Sons, Church Rd, Westbourne, Nr Emsworth, Hants.

CURRINGTON - On August 19th, 1986, at the Johnson Hospital, Spalding, Ronald George of the Willows, Wigtoft Road, Sutterton, Nr Boston, aged 78 years. Donations, if desired to the Parkinson Disease Society, c/o, J Willson, Funeral Directors, 40 Winsover Road, Spalding. tel (0775) 2915.

DUNN - Peacefully on 12th August, 1986, Lt.Col.(rtd) Jane Anderson Dunn, Q.A.R.A.N.C., of Abbey House, Malmesbury. A funeral service was held Haycombe Crematorium, Bath.

HAMILTON-SMITH, Peter Leslie - Dearly loved father of Samantha, on 17th August, 1986, peacefully at his home after a long illness. Cremation at Woking Crematorium, on Tuesday, 26th August, at 3pm. Flowers to Cyril H Lovegrove, Funeral Directors, Chapel of Rest, Summerhill, Berks.

HARRISON - On August 15th, at 6 Rosedale Abbey, Pickering, North Yorks, the Rev. Cecil Harrison, aged 75 years. Formerly Headmaster of The Kings School, Peterborough and a Vicar of Aislaby, Whitby. Beloved husband of Phyllis. Service at St Lawrence Church, Rosedale Abbey on Monday, September 1st at 1pm.

HEWIN - Morpeth, Driemidale House, 78 Newgate St, suddenly on August 19th, aged 63 years, Dr David, beloved husband of Margaret Stewart Irwin (née MacSween), dear father of Morag Ann Elspeth and Maxwell. Public Service in Morpeth United Reform Church, on Saturday, August 23rd, at 10.45am, followed by private cremation. Friends please meet at church, family flowers only, donations in lieu to British Heart Foundation, 393 West Gate Rd, Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

IRKIN, Tamara - Loving and much loved widow of Stanley, peacefully at her home, on 20th August.

KILPATRICK - On August 20th, 1986, at Amesbury Abbey, Wilts, Peter John Walter Kilpatrick, formerly of Slipperfield House, West Linton, Peebleshire, beloved husband of Angela and dear father of Ann, Colin and David. Funeral Service at Amesbury Parish Church, on Tuesday, 26th August at 2.45pm. Family flowers only.

MEYRICK - On August 20th, 1986, peacefully at Hays, Sedgehill, Wilts, Bridget Mary, aged 89 years, widow of Captain R.O.T.G. Meyrick, of Shoalhayne Manor, Varcombe, Devon. Cremation at Salisbury, on Wednesday, August 27th, at 12.45pm. Flowers to Bracher Brothers, Gillingham, Dorset. tel 074762494.

PLACKETT - Suddenly at home on 19th August, William Beecroft Plackett, very precious husband of Violeta Elizabeth, darling daddy of Stephanie. No letters or flowers please. Donations, if desired, to Ramblers' Association, 1 Wandsworth Road, London SW16. All funeral enquiries to Ebbutt Funeral Service, Oxford 3767.

RAWLINS - On 20th August, 1986, in his 82nd year, peacefully at home, George Meadus Rainbird, dearly loved husband of Lena, sadly missed by his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Funeral Service at Whichford Church, Whichford, Nr Shipston-on-Stour, Warks, at 11.30am on Wednesday, 27th August. Flowers to Allen & Sons, Funeral Directors, Moreton-in-Marsh. Gos (tel 0608 506339.

SHORLAND-BALL, Kathleen Mary - Aged 88, suddenly in Oxford on August 19th. Widow of Canon Lindsay Shorland-Ball, and beloved mother of Gill Tritter and Joy Boyce. Funeral Service in Leafield Parish Church, at 2.15 pm, on Friday, August 22nd. Memorial Service in Retford, in October.

TALBOT - On August 20th, 1986, peacefully, after a long illness, Ann (née Bickersteth) aged 67, dearly loved wife of the late David Talbot, formerly of 20 Chestnut Walk, Little Common, Bex Hill and The Grey House, Little Cheverell, Wilts. Funeral at Penhurst, Nr Battle at 2pm, on 28th August. Details: Ninfield (0424) 892244. Flowers to Mummery, Funeral Directors, Bex Hill or donations if desired to the TEAR Fund, 11 Station Rd, Teddington, Middx.

TURNER - On August 21st, 1986, peacefully at Woking, H.Gordon Turner,C.B.E., much loved and missed husband of Margery and father of David and Gavin. Quiet funeral at Woking Crematorium, at 10.30am, Saturday August 23rd. Family flowers only, donations to Baltic Exchange Charitable Society.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

ALFORD - A Memorial Service for Colonel Jonathan Alford will be held on Thursday, 9th October at 3.00 pm at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, Trafalgar Square, London.

FULTON - A Memorial Service for Baron Fulton of Falmer will be held at the Meeting House, University of Sussex, on 24th October, 1986, at

Forthcoming marriages

Mr A.G.D. Ogilvie and Mrs N.L.J. Stevens
The engagement is announced between Adam, elder son of Sir Alec and Lady Ogilvie, of Lindfield, West Sussex, and Natasha, younger daughter of the late Mr H. J. M. Moor and of Mrs Moor, of Shaftesbury, Dorset. The marriage will be taking place in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.

Mr R.P. Emerton and Miss E.J. Casterton
The engagement is announced between Richard Paul, elder son of Mr and Mrs Philip Emerton, of Herons Creek, Wargrave, Berkshire, and Elizabeth Jane, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Ronald Casterton, of Allestree, Derby.

Mr M.P. Gargan and Miss K.H. Everitt
The engagement is announced between Mark, only son of Mr and Mrs Kevin Gargan, of Blundellsands, Liverpool, and Katherine, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Malcolm Everitt, of Wilburton, Ely, Cambridgeshire.

Mr S.F. Guilford and Miss S.C. Carter
The engagement is announced between Steven, elder son of Mr and Mrs P. O. Guilford, of Kettering, Northamptonshire, and Susan, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs T. M. Carter, of Beverley, Yorkshire.

Dr I.M. James and Miss J.E. Faulkner
The engagement is announced between Ian, son of Dr and Mrs Thomas James, of Norton, Swansea, and Jane Elizabeth, daughter of Hugh and Anne Faulkner of Beaconsfield, Buckinghamshire.

Mr J.S. Lambert and Miss C.V. Taylor
The engagement is announced between James Scott, son of Captain and Mrs T. P. Lambert, of The Old Vicarage, South Stainley, near Harrogate, North Yorkshire, and Claire Virginia, daughter of Mr Christopher Taylor and Mrs Tom Corrie and stepdaughter of Mr Tom Corrie, of Leighton Hall, near Shrewsbury, Shropshire.

Mr P.N. Matthews and Miss T.J. Davall
The engagement is announced between Peter, elder son of Mr R. Matthews, of Brenchley, Kent, and Mrs D. M. Matthews, of East Moseley, Surrey, and Tracey, only daughter of Mr John Davall, of The Dower House, Buntingford, Hertfordshire, and the late Mrs Patricia Davall.

Mr J.C. Stannard and Miss S.J. Steward
The engagement is announced between John, elder son of Mr and Mrs D. Stannard, of New Hampshire, United States, and Sarah, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs K. Steward, of Thorpe-le-Soken, Essex.

Mr R.N. Stansfield and Dr V.C.S. Meadows
The engagement is announced between Richard, elder son of Mr and Mrs William Stansfield, of Great Chishill, Hertfordshire, and Victoria, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs William Meadows, of Milverton, Somerset.

Mr M.J.V. Wade and Miss C.E. Hanby
The engagement is announced between Michael, youngest son of Mr and Mrs G.S. Wade, of Perth, Western Australia, and Clare, only daughter of Mr and Mrs A. G. S. Hanby, of Loughton, Essex.

University news

Cambridge

Election
Prof D Bell, Henry Ford II Professor of Social Sciences, Harvard University, to be Pitt Professor of American History and Institutions for the academic year 1987-88.

Appointments
Lecturers
Anatomy: M V Sofroniew, BSc (Loyola), MD (Ludwig-Maximilians Univ), D Phil (Oxford), July 1 for three years.
Earth Sciences: M T Dove, BSc, PhD (Birmingham); D Gubbins, BA, PhD (Churchill C), October 1 for three years.
Oriental Studies, Chinese Studies: M G Lewis, MA, PhD (Chicago), October 1 for three years.

Awards
The Corbett prize 1986: L F Rentoul, Girton C.
The Hallam prize 1986: T C Borland, Trinity Hall; H B Freeman, Trinity C.
The Clerk Maxwell studentship 1986: C M Cheng, St Edmund's House.
The Eliot Sister Prize in Psychiatry 1986: C Brunsell, BA, Downing C.
Frank Smart Studentship in Botany for one year from October 1: J Cavelier, Trinity C.
John Stewart of Rannoch scholarships: in Greek and Latin and annual book prizes: M R Gale, Girton C; R K Gibson, Sidney Sussex C; J R Hodgson, King's C; E A Thurlow, Newnham C.

College elections

New Hall
Honorary fellowship: Prof G E M Anscombe, MA, FBA, October 1.
Pre-elected into a supernumerary fellowship: K T Mullen, BA (Oxford), PhD, October 1.
New Hall research studentship (social anthropology) for two years: P Filippucci, BA (Sheffield), October 1.
Dee Corporation research scholarship in biological sciences (pathology) for one year: K E Senior, BA, New Hall, October 1.
Dee Corporation Research scholarships for one year: C S Hill, BA, Trinity Hall (biochemistry); A H Hobbs, BA, New Hall (classics); L Williams, BA, New Hall (Spanish); C S Reader, BA, New Hall (philosophy); H Wing, BA, New Hall (Spanish); S J King, BA, Fitzwilliam C (history); J S Gilbert, BA, London Univ (earth sciences); M-I Sepulveda, BA, Chile (zoology); E J Persaud, London Univ (pharmacology), all effective from October 1.
Psalters' Company schoolteacher component fellow for the Lent Term 1987: N J Mugg, MA (Oxford), Trumpington S.

Newnham College
Honorary fellowships: Dame Elizabeth Lane; Mrs Shirley Williams, MP, MA (Oxford).
Unofficial fellowship: S V Velluet, BSc, PhD (London), research associate, department of anatomy, October 1.
Bye-fellowships: E E Mason, MA, DPhil (Basle), formerly C lecturer in German, October 1.
Registrar of the Roll, H M Spufford, LitD (Newnham C), MA, PhD (Leicester), FRHistS, formerly C lecturer in history.
American Friends of visiting research fellowship in the Arts for Michaelmas term 1986: S J W Broadie, MA, BPhil (Oxford), PhD (Edinburgh).
Ann Horton visiting research fellowship in the arts for Lent and Easter terms 1987: C J Veltman, BSc, PhD (Massey).

Sidney Sussex College
Fellowship in Class A and a C lectureship in Economics: J C Palma, BSc (Chile), DPhil (Oxford), Univ lecturer in the faculty of economics and politics.

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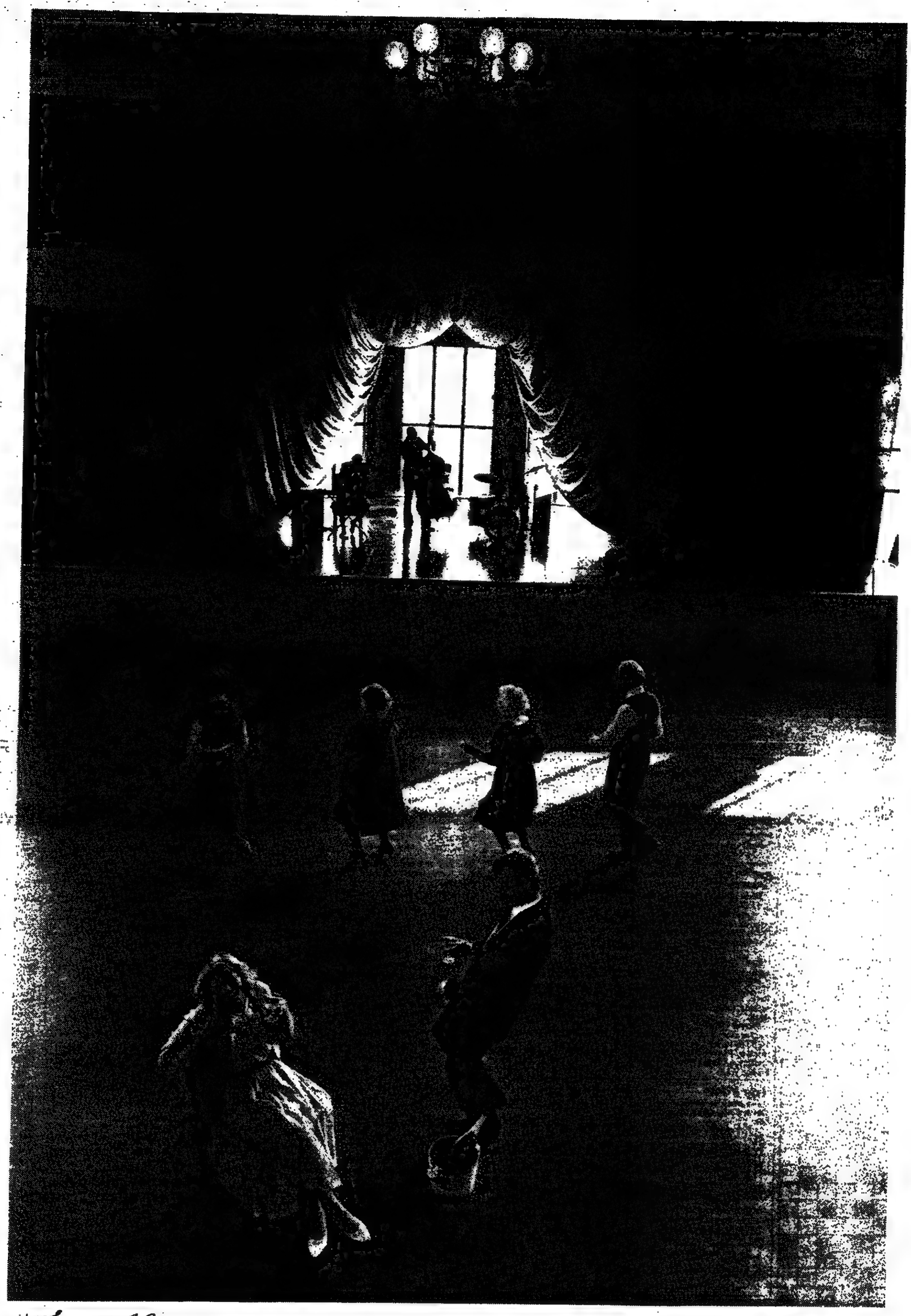

Why not?

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Russia tries to exploit its 'test ban ploy'

By Rodney Cowton

The Kremlin sought again yesterday to extract political advantage from the decision of Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, the Soviet leader, to extend the country's unilateral moratorium on nuclear tests until the end of the year.

At a press conference in London yesterday, Mr Leonid Zamyatin, the Soviet Ambassador, challenged Britain and the United States to join the Soviet moratorium, the extension of which Mr Gorbachov announced on Monday.

Mr Zamyatin said Moscowwas paying both military and economic costs for its move, but believed it was vital to help "accelerate the elimination of nuclear weapons."

He expressed "deep concern and alarm" at the US reaction to the announcement. "Political will and state wisdom is required in Washington in order to renounce the arms race and give up attempts to gain one-sided nuclear advantage," he said.

He made it clear that the signing of a comprehensive nuclear test ban treaty would be at the top of the Soviet agenda for any summit meeting between Mr Gorbachov and President Reagan.

The Soviet Union was prepared to enter into discussions over a nuclear test ban with both the US and Britain, Mr Zamyatin said.

This was seen in London as being very largely a repeat performance of a press conference which officials of the Soviet Embassy in Washington gave on Wednesday.

It was interpreted here as an attempt to drive a wedge between Britain and the US over the question of the moratorium on nuclear tests.

It was pointed out in London that there is no possibility of Britain unilaterally joining in the nuclear test moratorium. The position of the Foreign Office is that it sees no advantage in unilateral gestures, such as an unverifiable moratorium on tests, and that what is required is a properly negotiated agreement containing effective verification procedures.

It is argued in London that the Russians must realize that there is no possibility of reaching agreement on a comprehensive test ban treaty while President Reagan is in office because he believes that it is essential for the US to have a test programme for its weapons.

On this basis it is said that the current Soviet emphasis on a comprehensive test ban treaty can only be a propaganda ploy, and that it will be a sign that the Soviet Union is starting to be serious about arms control when they drop this ploy.

Three hurt in French mail train robbery

From Susan MacDonald, Paris

Three people were injured, one seriously, when 10 masked gunmen held up a mail train near Arles early yesterday.

However, the alert had been given by a local person who noticed the stopped train with shadowy figures moving around and the robbers found their way blocked by a police van as they tried to escape.

The gang opened fire on the police, hitting only the van, and then ran across open fields, leaving the mail sacks behind.

When they came to a road they fired on passing cars to make them stop and motorists were forced to abandon their vehicles which were used as getaway cars.

One motorist was shot in the jaw and yesterday underwent an operation and two Post Office employees were treated for injuries received when they were hit

Mops, buckets, pigeons and punks...a trial run for the Branson clean-up Britain campaign in Trafalgar Square yesterday. (Photographs: Peter Trievnor)

The Branson clean-up brigade go into action

By Angella Johnson

The first members of Mr Richard Branson's clean-up-Britain brigade were out in Trafalgar Square yesterday for the trial run of a project aimed at making the famous London landmark a brighter and friendlier place for visitors.

They will be among 20 young unemployed Londoners, hoping to bring a little colour to the square when they move in to act as "VIP Hosts" to hundreds of tourists on October 21.

Wearing bright red jumpsuits and armed with information leaflets about the square and London, the youngsters aim to act as friendly tourist guides while at the same time helping to encourage people to keep the area clean.

Yesterday the first "VIP Hosts" came informally dressed with their mops and buckets to give the square a cursory clean up in preperation for the big day..

The project is organized by Community Services Volunteers, one of several agencies and groups taking part in UK 2,000, the Government sponsored environmental scheme headed by Mr Branson, the millionaire airline owner..

Mrs Elizabeth Hoodless, executive director of CSV, said:"The idea for this particular project came after I had visited Trafalgar Square with my young son on several occasions. We found the place particularly hostile and alienating, devoid of signposts, a tourist information centre or policemen.

"The only people to give visitors directions or advise where to go for help are the bird seed sellers or official photographers".

When the project starts, appropriately on Trafalgar Day, Mrs Hoodless hopes it will humanize the square, making it a friendlier place to visit.

Mr Lesley Walters, who has been selling seeds to feed the pigeons in the square for over 20 years, says he answers thousands of queries each week.

"Mostly they want to know how to get buses and where Buckingham Palace or the Tower of London is. But the majority of questions are about how to get to the toilets, which are in the Underground station."

The youngsters will not only be expected to act as tourist guides, they will also be helping to keep the square clean.. They will be on duty from morning to dusk with personal radios linking them to the London Convention and Visitors' Bureau and will be able to call up the police for help if necessary.

The Manpower Services Commission is funding the campaign and youngsters taking part are to be paid £69 per week.

Other projects being considered for UK 2,000 include a National Junk Day, a scheme to clean up beaches, tidying up Lambeth Palace and opening it to the public, and turning Tynemouth station in the North East into a visitors's centre.

'Stockton' student editor resigns

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and in the face of clear legal advice as to its potential consequences for the Conservative Party.

"I intend to produce a new magazine under a new title but this will be entirely independent of the Conservative Party."

Mr Phibbs's statement, cleared by his solicitor and lawyers acting for Mr Tebbit, came after an hour-long meeting yesterday between the national committee member of the Federation of Conservative Students and Mr Michael Dobbs, chief of staff at Central Office and personal assistant to the party chairman.

The affair has proved deeply embarrassing to the Tory party while, at the same time, reviving criticism of Mr Tebbit for allegedly overreacting.

But it was said that the gravity of the allegations against Lord Stockton, aged 91, was so serious that Mr Tebbit, after consultations with senior party members including Sir Peter Lane, chairman of the National Union Executive Committee, had no option.

Legal advisers to Central Office said that the article constituted a malicious libel and had the Macmillan family decided to take action, the party and Mr Phibbs would be liable for damages running into six figures.

The claim in the article that Lord Stockton was "lying" over his involvement in the decision to send back the Cossacks and, in the accompanying press release, that he was a "war criminal" opened the door to the charge, the lawyers said.

Next Thurday's meeting of the FCS national committee will be asked to endorse the settlement. Party chiefs are pleased with the strongly supportive line taken by Mr John Bercow, the FCS chairman.

They believe that the tough action taken against Mr Phibbs will persuade rank and file members of the 14,000-strong organization to stop rocking the boat.

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements

Princess Anne arrives East Midlands Airport, 12; and then, as Patron, attends the 1986 World Rowing Championships, National Water Sports Centre, Holme Pierrepont, Nottinghamshire, 12.35.

New exhibition

Building Conservation: Weald and Downland Open Air Museum, Singleton, nr Chichester; today 12 to 6, tomorrow to Mon 11 to 6 (ends Aug 25).

David Smith: lighthouses; Posterngate Gallery, 6 Posterngate, Hull; Tues to Sat 10 to 5.30 (ends tomorrow).

Last chance to see

Watercolours by Maurice Dyson, Carla Steen and R.A. Brown: Niccol Centre, Brewery Court, Cirencester, Glos, 10 to 4.30.

Mixed exhibition with Sculpture in the Garden: Dower House Gallery, 108 High St, Berkhamsted, 10 to 5.

Music

Organ recital by Paul Derrett: Tewkesbury Abbey, 1.

Concert by the Berlin Oboe Quartet: Pump Room, Bath, 8.

Recital by the Choir of St John's Church, Bangor, Maine: Canterbury Cathedral, 12.

Harp recital by Lucy Carolan: St Andrew & St George's, George St, Edinburgh, 3.

Concert by the Band of the Scots Guard: Redoubt Fortress, Eastbourne, 8.

Recital by the Renaissance Singers: Winchester Cathedral, 1.

Piano recital by Paul Coker: Parish Church, St Columb Major, near Newquay, 8.

Concert of sacred English and Italian music by The Sixteen: Christ Church, Oxford, 8.

Gloucester Three Choirs Festival: Organ recital by Thomas Trotter: Gloucester Cathedral, 11: Concert by the David Munrow Anniversary Ensemble: Painswick Church, 2.30; Concert by the Festival Chorus and the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra: Gloucester Cathedral, 8; Serenade concert by the English String Orchestra: Gloucester Cathedral, 10.30.

Recital by Marios Argiros (oboe) and Caroline Clemmow (piano): Jubilee Hall, Aldeburgh, 6.15.

Talks, lectures

The MacTaggart Lecture, by Troy Kennedy Martin: The Assembly Rooms, Festival Sq, Edinburgh, 6.30.

James Hutton, by Prof Donald McIntyre: Royal Society of Edinburgh, 22-24 George St, Edinburgh, 5.

General

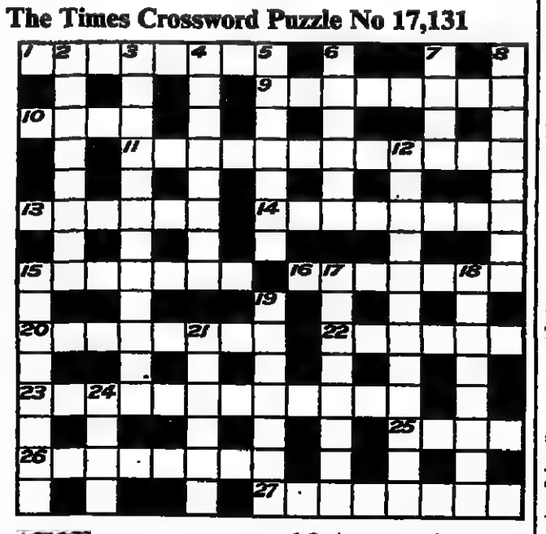
Book market: Northgate Hall, St Michael's St, Oxford, 10 to 5.

Island steam extravaganza: traction engines, vintage cars, fair organs and craft stalls: Isle of Wight Steam Railway, Railway Station, Havenstreet, Ryde, Isle of Wight, today until Mon 10 to 6.

Haydock Park steam carnival: Haydock Racecourse, Haydock Park, Newton-le-Willows, Merseyside, today until Mon 9 untill dusk.

Bears: stories, songs and masks (for 3 to 5 year olds), 10.30 to 11.30; Computer games (for 8 to 13 year olds), 3 to 5; Art Gallery, Civic Centre, Tunbridge Wells.

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 17,131



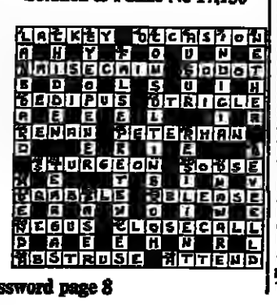
ACROSS

1 Pays favourite back, setting the pace (8).
9 Belabour one to whom labour is abhorrent (8).
10 Cover the floor (4).
11 At intervals — very frequently, about a year (5,2,5).
13 Tried to ramble to the end of the street (6).
14 Buff performance (3,5).
15 Fine plan, yet spoilt (7).
16 Shake and trick a fellow (7).
20 Troops — their leader follows rules (8).
22 Ruined girl discarded (6).
23 Doesn't use raw ingredients in this recipe (5-3-4).
25 A measure of port (4).
26 There isn't a second lost arranging a Rugby League team (8).
27 Lovingly propose to a lady, having lost heart (8).

DOWN

2 Race into the fray, following round course (8).
3 Swindle, as the tumbril-driver would the aristo (4,3,1,4).
4 Housing orientals under canvas (8).
5 Tie-breaker — at end of a dramatic run? (4-3)
6 Business man is not coy when it comes to an order (6).
7 Horse pistol (4).
8 Dishes. May 16 perhaps? (8).
12 Admiral redeployed, as if ranks cared (7,5).
15 Drone's dropping zone? (8).
17 Fussy chap's wife (3,5).
18 Ghostly aspect Raleigh displays (8).
19 Boss starts to employ new technical apprentice (7).
21 Call in the Spanish to provide protective cover (6).
24 It's wrong to be put up (4).

Solution to Puzzle No 17,130



Concise Crossword page 8

Top Films

The top box-office films in London:

1 (1) Hannah and Her Sisters
2 (2) A Room With a View
3 (-) Pretty in Pink
4 (4) The Color Purple
5 (3) Cobra
6 (5) The Karate Kid Part II
7 (6) Desert Hearts
8 (7) Sid and Nancy
9 (8) Police Academy III: Back in Training
10 (9) 9½ Weeks

The top films in the provinces:

1 The Karate Kid Part II
2 Cobra
3 Pinocchio
4 Police Academy III: Back in Training
5 The Color Purple

Supplied by *Screen International*

Top video rentals

1 (1) Goonies
2 (15) No Surrender
3 (2) Troll
4 (4) Weird Science
5 (5) Police Academy 2
6 (3) The Legend of Billie Jean
7 (6) Ladyhawke
8 (7) Mad Max: Beyond Thunderdome
9 (8) Cocoon
10 (31) Explorers

Supplied by *Video Business*

The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.55	2.40
Austria Sch	22.45	21.25
Belgium Fr	66.85	63.25
Canada $	2.145	2.055
Denmark Kr	12.02	11.42
Finland Mkk	7.79	7.29
France Fr	10.38	10.88
Germany Dm	3.20	3.03
Greece Dr	212.00	200.00
Hong Kong $	11.95	11.45
Ireland Pt	1.15	1.09
Italy Lira	2200.00	2080.00
Japan Yen	242.00	228.00
Netherlands Gld	3.595	3.405
Norway Kr	11.41	10.81
Portugal Esc	225.50	213.50
South Africa Rd	5.20	4.20
Spain Pta	207.00	196.00
Sweden Kr	10.71	10.16
Switzerland Fr	2.58	2.44
USA $	1.56	1.49
Yugoslavia Dnr	630.00	580.00

Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers cheques and other foreign currency business

Retail Price Index: 384.7

London: The *FT* Index closed down 1.3 at 1287.1

Food prices

Discovery, the first of the English desert apples, are now arriving in the shops at 40-50p a lb. Crisp, sweet and juicy with a bright red and green skin they are a comparatively new variety discovered by chance in an Essex orchard in the early 1960s. Their season is short, lasting only a month, and they are best eaten slightly chilled.

Home grown damsons 40-50p a lb are another new arrival. Plum prices are falling to between 20 and 40p a lb and blackberries are down at 40-50p a half pound. Imported William pears 45-55p a lb, Greek sultana grapes 50-70p a lb, honey tangerines 40-55p a lb, medium to large pineapples 75p-£1.20 each and new crop lychees £2.20-£2.50 a lb.

Brussels sprouts are now in the shops at 30-40p a lb for English or Dutch. There are also parsnips 25-35p a lb, leeks 50-65p, sweetcorn 30-40p a cob, stick beans 40-60p a lb, marrows 25-35p each, courgettes 25-35p a lb, cauliflowers 35-45p each and carrots 12-22p a lb.

Lemon sole averaging £2.09 a lb and Dover sole £3.39 a lb are down in price in most regions this week. Other good fish buys and average prices per pound are fresh boned herring 84p, plaice fillets £1.89 and haddock fillets £1.76. Scottish salmon continues to be plentiful at around £2.50 and £3.80 a lb.

There is a wide range of turkey products this weekend from boneless roasts and fillets to burgers and sausages. Frozen grade A turkeys between 60-89p a lb, fresh oven ready turkeys 98p-£1.04 a lb and traditional farm fresh 95p-£1.10 a lb. Promotional offers on beef include: rump steak at £1.99 a lb at Asda and £2.19 a lb at Tesco, and topside £1.78 a lb at Sainsbury.

Travel news

Rail

British Rail are running some extra Intercity trains during the late summer Bank holiday weekend. Passengers are advised to check travel details at their local station.

Today: Normal weekday service supplemented by some extra InterCity trains.

Tomorrow and Sunday: Normal service on most routes, although engineering works in the Carlisle area on Sunday will mean some alterations for people journeying between England and Scotland.

Monday: No rush hour trains; some extra InterCity trains in the evening: extra trains to seaside resorts.

Roads

Wales and West: M5: Outside lane closed northbound between junction 8 (M50) and 9 (A438). **A5:** Traffic reduced to a single lane on Maerdy River Bridge, Maerdy, Corwen. **M5:** Hard shoulder and nearside lane closed northbound between junctions 25 (Taunton) and 26 (A38 Wellington).

The North: M6: Various lane restrictions on both carriageways between junctions 32 and 33 (Preston/ Lancaster). **M63:** Various lane restrictions on both carriageways between junctions 1 (Barton Bridge) to junction 7 (Eccles interchange). **M61:** Lane closures at Walton Summit, at the junction of M61/M6.

Scotland: Edinburgh: Single line traffic in Grove St. Fountainbridge; expect delays between Grove St and Lothian Rd. **A816:** Single line traffic with temporary lights (24 hours) one mile S of Oban. **A713:** Single line traffic with temporary lights (24 hours) one and a half miles S of Dalmellington at Mossdale Bridge, Ayrshire.

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Times Portfolio Gold rules are as follows:

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In the columns provided next to your shares note the price change (+ or -), in pence, as published in that day's Times.

After listing the price changes of your eight shares for that day, add up all eight share changes to give you your overall total plus or minus (+ or -).

Check your overall total against The Times Portfolio dividend published on the Stock Exchange Prices page.

If your overall total matches The Times Portfolio dividend you have won outright or a share of the total prize money stated for that day and must claim your prize as instructed below

How to play — Weekly Dividend

Monday-Saturday record your daily Portfolio total

Add these together to determine your weekly Portfolio total.

If your total matches the published weekly dividend figure you have won outright or a share of the prize money stated for that week, and must claim your prize as instructed below

How to claim

Telephone The Times Portfolio claims line 0254-53272 between 10.00am and 3.30pm, on the day your overall total matches The Times Portfolio Dividend. No claims can be accepted outside these hours.

You must have your card with you when you telephone

If you are unable to telephone someone else can claim on your behalf but they must have your card and call The Times Portfolio claims line between the stipulated times

No responsibility can be accepted for failure to contact the claims office for any reason within the stated hours

The above instructions are applicable to both daily and weekly dividend claims

Weather

A depression will move E towards SW England and its associated fronts will move NE to become slow moving over Northern Ireland, N and E England.

6 am to midnight

London, SE, central S England, East Anglia, Channel Islands: Cloudy, outbreaks of rain, perhaps heavy at times; wind variable light; max temp 19C (66F).

Midlands, SW England, Wales: Bright intervals and scattered showers at first, becoming cloudier, rain at times; wind SW light or moderate, becoming variable; max temp 18C (64F).

E, NE, central N, NE England, Lake District, Isle of Man, Borders, SW Scotland, Northern Ireland: Cloudy, outbreaks of rain, gradually dying out later; wind NE light or moderate, locally fresh; max temp 17C (63F).

Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Central Highlands, Moray Firth, NE Scotland, Orkney: Bright or sunny intervals, scattered showers; wind NE backing N light or moderate, locally fresh; max temp 16C (61F).

Glasgow, Argyll, NW Scotland: Sunny intervals, isolated showers; wind NE moderate, locally fresh; max temp 17C (63F).

Shetland: Bright or sunny intervals, scattered showers; wind NE, backing N moderate or fresh; max temp 14C (57F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Sunday: Brighter, drier weather in N parts spreading S, some showers, mainly near E and N coasts.

Sun rises: 5.57 am — Sun sets: 8.06 pm
Moon sets: 9.01 am — Moon rises: 9.19 pm
Last quarter: August 27

Lighting-up time

London 8.39 pm to 5.28 am
Bristol 8.49 pm to 5.38 am
Edinburgh 9.05 pm to 5.29 am
Manchester 8.53 pm to 5.32 am
Penzance 8.58 pm to 5.53 am

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

		C	F			C	F
Belfast	r	12	54	Guernsey	c	16	61
B'mghm	r	14	57	Inverness	c	12	54
Blackpool	r	13	55	Jersey	c	17	63
Bristol	c	17	63	London	c	17	63
Cardiff	c	16	61	M'nchester	r	15	59
Edinburgh	c	12	54	Newcastle	c	14	57
Glasgow	f	13	55	R'nldsway	r	13	55

Anniversaries

Births: **Claude Debussy**, Saint-Germain-en-Laye, 1862; **Jacques Lipchitz**, sculptor, Druskininkai, Latvia, 1891.

Deaths: **Richard III**, reigned 1483-85, killed at the battle of Bosworth Field, 1485; **Jean Honoré Fragonard**, painter, Paris, 1806; **Warren Hastings**, first governor general of Bergal, 1772-85, Daylesford, Oxfordshire, 1818; **Robert Cecil, 3rd Marquess of Salisbury**, prime minister, 1885-86, 1886-92, 1895-1900; 1900-02, Hatfield, Hertfordshire, 1903; **Michael Collins**, Irish patriot, assassinated, Beal-na-Blath, Cork, 1922; **Sir Oliver Lodge**, physicist, Salisbury, 1940; **Michael Fokine**, choreographer, New York, 1942; **William Morris, 1st Viscount Nuffield**, Henley-on-Thames, 1963.

Paris was liberated, 1944.

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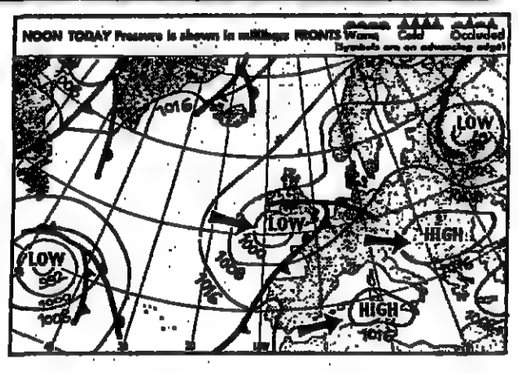

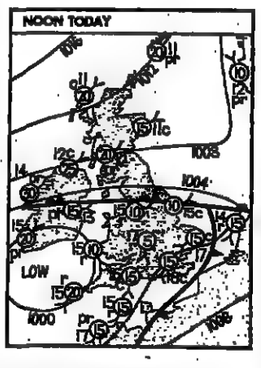

b-blue sky; bc-blue sky and cloud; c-cloudy; o-overcast; f-fog; d-drizzle; h-hail; mist-mist; r-rain; s-snow; th-thunderstorm; p-showers. Arrows show wind direction, wind speed (mph) circled. Temperature centigrade.

High Tides

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	4.25	7.3	4.35	7.1
Aberdeen	3.26	4.5	4.06	4.2
Avonmouth	9.53	13.2	10.06	13.5
Belfast	1.08	3.7	1.38	3.3
Cardiff	9.38	12.1	9.53	12.4
Devonport	8.44	5.4	8.55	5.5
Dover	1.22	6.6	1.35	6.8
Falmouth	8.14	5.2	8.25	5.4
Glasgow	3.11	4.9	3.39	4.5
Harwich	2.17	4.1	2.31	4.1
Holyhead	12.27	5.9	12.55	5.4
Hull	8.37	7.5	9.15	7.2
Ilfracombe	8.35	9.1	8.55	9.4
Leith	4.54	5.7	5.31	5.5
Liverpool	1.31	9.8	1.53	9.3
Lowestoft	11.44	2.8		
Margate	2.41	4.8	2.40	4.8
Milford Haven	8.48	7.0	9.06	7.2
Newquay	7.38	7.0	7.57	7.3
Oban	8.15	3.9	8.32	4.1
Penzance	7.46	5.5	7.58	5.7
Portland	9.43	2.2	9.58	2.4
Portsmouth	1.41	4.6	2.14	4.8
Shoreham	1.27	6.3	1.57	6.3
Southampton	1.03	4.5	1.36	4.6
Swansea	8.57	9.4	9.15	9.6
Tees	5.58	5.6	6.34	5.3
W'ton-on-Nze	2.09	4.3	2.17	4.3

Tide measured in metres: 1m=3.2808ft.

Around Britain

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
EAST COAST					
Scarboro	*	.05	16	61	cloudy
Bridlington	3.4	-	16	61	bright
Cromer	9.6	-	17	63	sunny
Lowestoft	8.9	-	19	66	sunny
Clacton	10.7	-	21	70	sunny
Southend	*	-	20	68	sunny
Margate	*	-	19	66	sunny
SOUTH COAST					
Folkestone	8.4	-	19	66	sunny
Hastings	10.6	-	19	66	sunny
Eastbourne	11.5	-	19	66	sunny
Brighton	10.5	-	18	64	sunny
Worthing	8.2	-	18	64	bright
Littlehmptn	8.9	-	18	64	bright
Bognor R	10.3	-	19	66	sunny
Southsea	10.6	-	20	68	sunny
Sandown	9.7	-	19	66	sunny
Shanklin	*	-			
Bournemth	*	-	19	66	sunny
Poole	11.0	-	20	68	sunny
Swanage	8.8	-	19	66	sunny
Weymouth	11.2	-	19	66	sunny
Exmouth	9.6	-	17	63	sunny
Teignmouth	10.2	-	17	63	sunny
Torquay	12.2	-	18	64	sunny
Falmouth	11.3	-	17	63	sunny
Penzance	8.6	-	17	63	sunny
Scilly Isles	6.9	-	18	64	sunny
Jersey	8.7	-	19	66	sunny
Guernsey	11.3	-	18	64	sunny
WEST COAST					
Newquay	11.2	-	19	66	sunny
Ilfracombe	*	-	17	63	sunny
B'pool Airpt	7.7	-	16	61	sunny
Morecambe	13.0	-	16	61	sunny
Douglas	11.8	-	16	61	sunny
ENGLAND					
B'ham Airpt	9.4	-	19	66	sunny
Bristol (Ctrl)	11.6	-	19	66	sunny
Carlisle	5.4	.10	17	63	fog
London	11.3	-	21	70	sunny
Manchester	7.1	.06	18	64	sunny
N'ctl-n-Tyne	2.3	.35	16	61	showers
Nottingham	10.1	.01	19	66	sunny
WALES					
Anglesey	12.0	-	17	63	sunny
Cardiff (Ctrl)	13.0	-	18	64	sunny
Colwyn Bay	10.9	-	16	61	sunny
Tenby	11.0	-	17	63	sunny
SCOTLAND					
Aberdeen	7.8	-	15	59	bright
Edinburgh	0.8	.02	15	59	bright
Eskdalemuir	2.5	.06	16	61	bright
Glasgow	6.0	-	17	63	sunny
Kinloss	4.9	.01	15	59	showers
Lerwick	7.9	.01	13	55	showers
Prestwick	6.5	-	17	63	bright
Stornoway	7.2	-	14	57	bright
Tiree	9.1	-	15	59	sunny
Wick	8.7	.02	13	55	showers
NORTHERN IRELAND					
Belfast	9.3	-	18	64	bright

These are Wednesday's figures *Figures not available

Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow; t, thunder.

		C	F			C	F			C	F			C	F
Ajaccio	s	27	81	Cologne	f	18	64	Majorca	s	28	82	Rome	s	28	82
Akrotiri	f	30	86	C'phagn	f	16	61	Malaga	s	24	75	Salzburg*	f	17	63
Alex'dria	s	30	86	Corfu	s	32	90	Malta	s	31	88	S Frisco*	s	17	63
Algiers	s	36	97	Dublin	r	12	54	Melb'rne	r	15	59	Seoul*	r	9	48
Amst'dm	f	18	64	Dubrovnik	s	29	84	Mexico C*	s	21	70	S Paulo*	c	18	64
Athens	s	31	88	Faro	s	26	79	Miami*	f	32	90	Seoul	f	27	81
Bahrain	s	38	100	Florence	f	29	84	Milan	s	25	77	Sing'pore	f	29	84
Barbados*	f	29	84	Frankfurt	f	19	66	Montreal*	s	24	75	Stockhlm	c	16	61
Barcelona	s	29	84	Funchal	s	25	77	Moscow	f	14	57	Strasb'rg	f	21	70
Beirut				Geneva	s	21	70	Munich	s	19	66	Sydney	s	18	64
Belgrade	c	22	72	Gibraltar	s	21	70	Nairobi				Tangier	s	34	93
Berlin	c	15	59	Helsinki	f	16	61	Naples	s	30	86	Tel Aviv	s	30	86
Bermuda*	f	31	88	Hong K	f	31	88	N Delhi	d	28	82	Tenerife	s	29	84
Biarritz	c	22	72	Innsbruck*	s	20	68	N York*	f	25	77	Tokyo	s	31	88
Birm'h'm	s	29	84	Istanbul	s	31	88	Nice	s	27	81	Toronto*	s	25	77
B'dFne	c	18	64	Jeddah	s	36	97	Oslo	f	16	61	Tunis	s	31	88
Brussels	f	18	64	Jo'burg*	f	16	61	Paris	c	20	68	Valencia	s	35	97
Budapest	f	28	82	Karachi	f	28	82	Peking	s	30	86	Vanc'ver*	s	19	66
B Aires*	s	14	57	L Palmas	c	27	81	Perth	f	18	64	Venice	s	25	77
Cairo	s	35	95	Lisbon	s	24	75	Prague	f	16	61	Vienna*	f	20	68
Cape Tn	s	28	82	Locarno	s	23	73	Reykjvik	f	11	52	Warsaw	c	15	59
C'blanca	s	27	81	L Angeles*	s	26	79	Rhodes	s	29	84	Wash'ton*	f	23	73
Chicago*	s	28	82	Luxembg	c	17	63	Rio de J	r	20	68	Wel'ngton	r	12	54
Ch'church	c	8	46	Madrid	s	32	90	Riyadh	s	43	109	Zurich	s	19	66

* denotes Wednesday's figures are latest available

Executive Editor
Kenneth Fleet

STOCK MARKET

FT 30 Share
1267.1 (–1.3)

FT-SE 100
1606.8 (+2.2)

Bargains
20734

USM (Datastream)
125.39 (+0.69)

THE POUND

US Dollar
1.4955 (–0.0090)

W German mark
3.0568 (–0.0244)

Trade-weighted
71.7 (–0.2)

Investment inquiry

The operations of McDonald Wheeler of Canterbury, Kent, a collapsed investment supermarket, will be investigated by Kent police fraud officers after a meeting between the receiver and the Director of Public Prosecutions. The receiver's investigation has been running for several weeks.

The company had managed up to £25 million for 1,000 clients. The police inquiry is expected to last up to 12 months.

Payout jump

Johnson Group Cleaners, Britain's largest drycleaners, announced interim pretax profits up 5 per cent to £4 million on turnover down 3 per cent to £44 million. The dividend was raised 19 per cent to 5p. The large increase is to reduce the disparity between the interim and final dividends and is not an indication of the likely increase for the whole year.

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Profits rise

Garfunkels, the restaurant chain, reported pretax profits of £1.5 million for the six months to the end of June, compared with £1.2 million for the same period last year. Turnover rose from £9.7 million to £12.4 million. The dividend was maintained at 0.215p.

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Hotels' £6.3m

Queens Moat Houses, the hotel chain, reported interim pretax profits up 55 per cent at £6.3 million. Turnover rose from £35.6 million to £42.9 million. Interim dividend is 0.9p (0.765p last year).

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YK Pao goes

Sir Yue-Kong Pao has resigned as adviser to the Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation board. The bank and Sir Yue-Kong's World-wide Group remain partners in a number of shipping ventures, and Sir Yue-Kong Pao has agreed to continue to advise the chairman on shipping matters.

Paribas letting

Ladbroke Group has let the former Debenham and Freebody headquarters in Wigmore Street, West End, at a record rent for the area of £30.50 per sq ft to Banque Paribas Capital Markets.

Hotels hit

A shortage of American visitors has had a severe impact on hotels' summer trading, the Scottish and Newcastle Breweries annual meeting was told yesterday.

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Bank dampens hope of early cut in base rate

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

Hopes of an early cut in base rates after the overnight reduction in the US discount rate faded yesterday following a clear signal against such a move by the Bank of England.

The dollar and the pound both fell when it became clear that the authorities in West Germany and Japan were in no hurry to follow the US Federal Reserve Board in cutting rates.

Money market rates in London fell yesterday morning after the Federal Reserve lowered the discount rate from 6 to 5.5 per cent – the lowest level for nine years – late on Wednesday.

The US move added to a mood of base rate confidence in the money markets which has been fostered by good figures for public sector borrowing and the pound's rise back above $1.50.

But the Bank of England, in its money market dealing operations, gave a clear signal that it was not ready for a rate cut yet. And, according to Mr David Morrison, currency economist at Goldman Sachs in London, lower base rates may only be possible if there are prior cuts in Germany and Japan.

Yesterday, the German and Japanese authorities gave every indication of holding out against such a move.

After hasty discussions between officials at the Bank of Japan and the new finance minister, Mr Kiichi Miyazawa, it was agreed that Japanese monetary policy had already been relaxed enough.

In Germany, the central bank also indicated that no change in monetary policy was imminent. The result was a weaker dollar, particularly against the mark, exacerbated in later trading after comments by Mr Robert Dole, the US Senate leader, who suggested that a further US discount rate cut might be necessary.

The dollar slipped from DM2.048 to DM2.044, just above its record low, and from 153.30 to 153.15 against the yen.

The pound, however, hit by the National Institute for Economic and Social Research forecast of a £6 billion current account deficit next year, lost nearly a cent against the dollar, closing at $1.4955. The sterling index fell from 71.9 to 71.7.

At Hamleys: Mr Peter F[illegible], left, Sir Philip Harris and Brian Griffin (photograph: Graham Wood)

Harris buys a toyshop for £30m

By Teresa Poole

The Burton Group yesterday sold the world's most famous toy shop, Hamleys of Regent Street, for £30 million to Harris Queensway, the carpets and furniture retailer headed by Sir Philip Harris.

Burton Group acquired Hamleys a year ago as part of its £560 million purchase of Debenhams.

Sir Philip plans to revamp the flagship Regent Street store, open a number of new shops in Britain, and take the Hamleys name abroad.

Goldman Sachs, which handled the sale, had interest from around the world but narrowed the field to four main contenders – Harris Queensway, Woolworth Holdings, a private Middle Eastern investor, and the owner of FAO Schwarz, the top New York toy store.

Eventually the bidders were reduced to Harris Queensway and Woolworth. By Wednesday evening Harris Queensway had agreed the deal.

Mr Geoffrey Mulcahy, chief executive of Woolworth, said: "We decided that the price was too much. I was not prepared to overpay for it. Clearly the business is worth different amounts to different people." Woolworth, which has chosen children's goods as one of six areas to focus on, is the largest toy retailer in Britain with almost 10 per cent of the market.

Hamleys is represented in London, Bath, Birmingham and Croydon. In the year to the end of January, it made profits of £2.3 million.

Sir Philip said: "We bought the business because it has got a fantastic name and good sales." He added that it had been "milked for cash" by Debenhams and would now have money invested in it.

Under the first phase of the expansion, the Regent Street store will receive a £750,000 facelift and a computer system will be installed. By the end of the year there will be one new Hamleys store, probably in the South, with three or four new purpose-built ones in major cities by next autumn. There are no plans to put Hamleys shops within existing Harris Queensway outlets.

Sir Philip hopes to expand Hamleys through large out-of-town sites selling toys, children's wear and sportwear, adjacent to existing Queensway superstores. There will also be development overseas, either through store openings or by franchising the name. In addition, discussions will take place with Great Universal Stores, which owns 23 per cent of Harris Queensway, about selling Hamleys goods through the GUS mail order catalogues.

Sir Philip said: "This will be the prestige in the Harris Queensway group. In two years' time it should be making profits of £10 million." Hamleys, which does not own the freeholds of any of its stores, has net assets of around £5 million including £800,000 of cash.

For Burton, the sale is part of a debt-reducing exercise after the Debenhams takeover. Net borrowings have fallen by around £100 million to £250 million since January, helped by this sale and the £19 million disposal of the Lotus shoemaker. Burton plans to sell the Debenhams Inc chain of shoe shops, based in New York, which will end the programme of disposals.

The sale made little impact on the shares yesterday. Harris Queensway lost 4p to 232p, Burton gained 2p to 308p, and Woolworth dropped 5p to 650p.

Small fall in UK external assets

By Our Economics Correspondent

Britain's net external assets, which have increased sharply since exchange controls were abolished in 1979, slipped slightly last year, the first fall after five successive big rises.

External assets exceeded liabilities by £80.4 billion at the end of last year, according to the annual Balance of Payments *Pink Book*, published today by the Central Statistical Office. The figure at the end of 1984 was £81.3 billion.

At the end of 1979, when exchange controls were lifted, net external assets stood at £12 billion.

The *Pink Book* shows that Britain had a current account surplus of £3.6 billion last year, compared with one of £1.2 billion in 1984.

The 1985 surplus was made up of a £2.1 billion deficit on visible trade, more than offset by a £5.7 billion surplus on invisibles – the earnings of the City, shipping, transport, tourism and transfers.

The figures show that there has been a continuing increase in net investment overseas by British residents. In 1983 there was a net outflow of £4.7 billion, in 1984 £6.3 billion and last year £7.3 billion.

In spite of this, partly because of valuation changes, Britain's net external assets declined.

Britain continues to benefit from trade with the United States, running a visible surplus of £2.4 billion last year, compared with £1.2 billion.

The trade deficit of manufactured and semi-manufactured goods declined slightly last year – to £3 billion from £3.9 billion in 1984.

Growth is still slow

The latest cyclical indicators for the British economy confirm that growth over the past 12 months has been sluggish. But official statisticians say it is not possible to tell whether this slow growth will persist.

The four leading indicators display a somewhat conflicting picture. The coincident indicator has been flat over the past 12 months, but there have been recent rises for the longer leading indicator, suggesting a pick-up in growth. This indicator is, however, highly sensitive to movements in share prices.

Capital spending by British industry fell slightly in the second quarter, according to separate figures released yesterday. In 1980 prices, the total spent by manufacturing industry fell from £1.82 billion to £1.73 billion.

Profit-taking ends 11 days of share boom in Tokyo

Shares on the Tokyo stock exchange fell back yesterday, the first decline in 11 days of booming prices and volumes.

The morning session saw a fall of 297.11 yen from Wednesday's record high as profits were taken on electric power and monetary stocks, such as Sumitomo Bank and Nomura Securities.

The market had opened higher amid expectations of lower interest rates after the reduction in the US official discount rate.

In a volatile afternoon session, share prices fluctuated rapidly but the market closed on a upward note with a record 2.3 billion shares being traded. Wednesday's volume had also set a record.

The yen strengthened to a new high against the dollar, closing at 153.03, 0.2 yen stronger than on Wednesday.

The reduction in the American discount rate strengthened the belief that Japan would follow suit, but a Bank of Japan official said there was no further reduction in prospect at present. There is, however, speculation that a further cut will come by the middle of next month.

The day's trading on the stock exchange did little to dampen fears that, sooner or later, it is going to come down hard from an unrealistic high at a time when the outlook for the Japanese economy is patchy at best – especially in view of the disappointing economic performance across the Pacific.

Low oil price steadies US inflation

American consumer prices were unchanged last month as lower energy prices kept inflation in check, the Labour Department announced yesterday.

The good performance came after two successive months when consumer prices increased. So far this year prices have declined at an annual rate of 0.2 per cent.

The department said the consumer prices, as measured by the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers, were unchanged in July after a seasonally adjusted increase of 0.5 per cent in June.

Low inflation has been one of the bright spots for the struggling American economy.

The department said that energy prices had fallen 16.2 per cent in the past 12 months, the largest drop on record and a key contributor to lower price inflation.

Cheaper fuel oil, gasoline and natural gas more than offset higher prices for many food items, rent and other shelter costs.

USSR shake-up for Gatt

From Alan McGregor
Geneva

The Soviet Union looks like galvanizing the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade by its formal request to participate in its round of talks which begin at Punte del Este, Uruguay, on September 15.

Russia has had informal contacts with members of the 92-nation organization since the end of 1982.

While in Geneva in March Mr Mikhail Pankine, the Soviet minister for foreign trade, said the new round "could have universal and global implications."

He then said: "It is essential to ensure that the round should be of open character and all countries concerned could participate in it."

Mr Pankine made the point, however, that major Western trading countries appeared unenthusiastic about admitting the USSR.

While the normal process for admitting a country – particularly one with a state-run economy – to Gatt could be protracted, a possible short cut to granting the Russian request is indicated in the draft declaration text, intended for ministerial approval at Punte del Este and tabled here last month by Switzerland and Colombia.

This says that the coming round would be open to countries that notify a regular meeting of the Gatt council of their intention to negotiate the terms of their accession.

But acceptance of this provision in the text can be blocked by the United States.

Maxwell buys more of Extel

Mr Robert Maxwell, publisher of the *Daily Mirror*, has increased his stake in Extel, the beleagured business and sporting information group, from 23 per cent to 26.4 per cent.

He intends to continue buying until he reaches the maximum permissible 29.9 per cent, even through he is ineligible to bid for Extel until next spring.

His immediate goal is to try to block Extel's proposed $40 million (£27 million) acquisition of Dealers Digest in America.

The acquisition needs simple majority approval by shareholders and will be decided at an extraordinary meeting next Friday.

Extel shares closed 3p higher at 406p. Extel chairman Mr Alan Brooker wrote to shareholders earlier this week urging them to vote for the Dealer Digest acquisition and to take no notice of Mr Maxwell's "obstructive tactics".

British Printing and Communications Corporation, whose chairman is Mr Maxwell, also announced yesterday that it had received irrevocable undertakings from 51.6 per cent of Philip Hill Investment Trust shareholders to accept BPCC's bid, worth £319 million in cash.

Mr Brooker stressed that the acquisition of Dealers Digest, the financial publishing and database operation, would benefit Extel.

It would extend the range and coverage of Extel's financial services, provide opportunities for collaboration, develop Extel's database operations and provide a sound base for Extel in the American market.

BET makes two final bids

By Alison Eadie

BET, the industrial services conglomerate, yesterday raised its bids for HAT and Brengreen to £111 million and £32.2 million respectively and declared them both final.

It also announced that it was acquiring from Hawley Group its 8.6 per cent stake in HAT and its 27.1 per cent stake in Brengreen.

Mr David Telling, chairman of HAT, was not impressed by the improved offer and rejected it as "wholly inadequate". He said he was deeply suspicious of the relationship between BET and Hawley, which might lead to a break-up of HAT between the two parties if BET won.

No Hawley directors were available to comment.

HAT believes that Hawley had made insufficient profit on its stake to justify it as a pure arbitrage transaction. BET categorically denied there were any secret deals being plotted with Hawley. It said it wanted to buy HAT as an entity, and it was HAT which was breaking itself up.

The revised terms of the offers are 73 BET shares for 200 HAT shares, worth 144.5p per HAT share after stripping out the final BET dividend. BET has also added a cash alternative at 135p.

For Brengreen, BET is offering one of its won shares and 45p cash for nine Brengreen shares, worth 49p per share, or an all-cash alternative at 50p.

EEC suspends sugar action

From Jonathan Braude, Brussels

The European Community's Competition Directorate has suspended interim action against British Sugar, threatened after complaints by Napier Brown, the sugar merchant.

A warning of punitive measures was given by the EEC after Napier Brown told the European Commission last year that British Sugar had abused its dominant position on the British market in an attempt to drive its rival out of the retail sector.

The EEC has the power to impose heavy fines on companies that indulge in unfair trading practices to restrict competition.

British Sugar has reserved its position over the accusation that it has been acting unfairly. But it recognizes EEC concern at the insufficient margin between its prices for industrial and retail sugar.

It has agreed to supply standard industrial sugar to Napier Brown on terms that allow competition in the retail market. It has also promised not to try to damage the commercial position of Napier Brown's shareholder, Whitworths, which sells brown sugar and other specialist sugars in packets in Britain.

British Sugar has also undertaken not to seek an agreement with any client that prevents the customer from buying from Whitworths, according to the competition directorate.

The EEC directorate says it will keep a watch on the British sugar market for the next few months to make sure that British Sugar lives up to its promises. "Should British Sugar's undertaking or its implementation prove to be inadequate, further measures will be considered," it adds.

MARKET SUMMARY

STOCK MARKETS

New York
Dow Jones ..... 1876.83 (–4.50)*
Tokyo
Nikkei Dow ..... 18675.60 (–260.64)
Hong Kong:
Hang Seng ..... 1941.36 (+0.08)
Amsterdam: Gen ..... 299.6 (+2.1)
Sydney: AO ..... 1179.4 (+1.6)
Frankfurt:
Commerzbank ..... 2058.7 (–7.9)
Brussels:
General ..... 859.59 (+32.72)
Paris: CAC ..... 398.7 (+5.5)
Zurich:
SKA General ..... 525.6 (+1.3)

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INTEREST RATES

London:
Bank Base: 10%
3-month Interbank 9¾-9 11/16%
3-month eligible bills: 9 13/32-9 11/32% buying rate
US:
Prime Rate 8%
Federal Funds 5 13/16%*
3-month Treasury Bills 5.37-5.35%*
30-year bonds 101 ⅛-101 3/16*

CURRENCIES

London:	New York:
£ $1.4955	£: $1.4960*
£: DM3.0568	$: DM2.0435*
£: SwFr2.4623	$: Index: 110.3
£: FFr10.0124	
£: Yen229.03	ECU £0.684574
£ Index 71.7	SDR £0.807711

MAIN PRICE CHANGES

RISES:

B.P.	635p (+10p)
Jameson Chocs.	125p (+10p)
Brookmount	323p (+25p)
MK Electric	368p (+20p)
TI Group	497p (+34p)
Evered	218p (+14p)
Thomas Robinson	381p (+11p)
Unilever	1920p (+40p)
Century Oil	139p (+13p)
Union Discount	663p (+10p)
Provident Fin.	338p (+13p)
Morgan Grenfell	448p (+10p)
Eastern Produce	293p (+13p)

FALLS:

Scottish Agric.	221p (–7p)
Bestwood	580p (–15p)
Tay Homes	132p (–7p)
Scottish & New.	180p (–6p)
Harris Queensway	232p (–6p)
Boots	213p (–6p)
Dawson Intnl.	242p (–10p)
Templeton Galb.	205p (–8p)

GOLD

London Fixing:
AM $381.75 pm-$380.75
close $382.75-383.50 (£255.25-256.00)
New York:
Comex $382.75-383.25*

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Unit trust investment at record

By Martin Baker

Investment in unit trusts rose to a record £27.9 billion last month.

Net investment for the month was £389.6 million, according to figures released yesterday by the Unit Trust Association (UTA).

This is down on June's record levels, but sales were more than double those for the same period last year. Net investment in unit trusts has now outstripped building society net investment for the last three months.

Mr Tony Smith, secretary of the UTA, said he was encouraged by a good set of figures. "Sales are down on last month, but that is a usual seasonal fluctuation," he said.

Total net investment and unit sales this year have now exceeded the figures achieved for the whole of last year.

The £27.9 billion invested is spread across 907 unit trusts. The UTA's figures cover 137 companies.

The number of unitholder accounts rose by more than 40,000 to a new peak of more than 3 million, although no information on the numbers of individual accountholders is readily available. Many individuals hold more than one unit trust account.

The figures have been swollen by the entry of life assurance companies into the unit trust market. Some have unitized existing funds under management whilst others have launched new funds.

Mr Smith said that the insurance companies had undoubtedly had a good effect on the figures.

Bestwood lifts Barrie offer

Bestwood has increased its offer for Barrie Investment and Finance, and has won the backing of Barrie's board.

The terms are two new Bestwood shares for every 59 Barrie shares. The increased cash alternative is worth 17p a share.

In order to provide the cash alternative Greig, Middleton and Co, the broker, has agreed to make a separate offer to purchase new Bestwood shares at 500p each.

The increased share offer places a value of about £19.5 million on Barrie based on the middle market value of 575p per Bestwood share.

Boeing's rivals disagree even before the battle begins

European-US challenge to the king of the skies

By Edward Townsend

Boeing, the world's biggest aerospace company, this week produced its 5,000th commercial jet as the aviation industry is in the throes of realignment to cope with the challenges of the next century.

While Boeing was celebrating its milestone at its Seattle headquarters, talks were proceeding between McDonnell Douglas of the United States — Boeing's big rival — and Europe's Airbus Industrie consortium on future collaboration in the production of a new generation of long-haul aircraft.

McDonnell Douglas and Airbus plan a project that will dislodge the Boeing 747 jumbo jet from its unchallenged position as king of the skies.

The talks, which by all accounts have gone beyond the exploratory stage, are taking place at a critical time, particularly for the British aerospace industry.

British Airways has just agreed to fit Rolls-Royce engines to its new fleet of Boeing 747-400 aircraft, planes that Boeing hopes will prolong the life of the type well into the next century.

But at the same time, British Aerospace is agonizing about further involvement in the Airbus programme, and has already told the Government that it will need 100 per cent launch aid if it is to take part in developing the long-haul A330 and A340 Airbuses.

Airbus hopes the latter will provide the 747 with much-needed competition on the so-called "long, thin" routes. After the agreement to produce the 150-seat A320, for which BAe will make the wings, Airbus says the A340 will complete, for the time being, the group's family of aircraft.

Boeing, which has complained about what it alleges is *Government's subsidization* of Airbus, has been doing well recently. So far this year it has collected firm orders worth more than £10 billion, an achievement sealed by the BA order — the largest in civil aviation history — which calls for the supply of 16 long-range 747s and options on a further 12.

No doubt with the McDonnell Douglas-Airbus talks and the forthcoming Farnborough International Air Show in mind, Boeing this week capitalized fully on its Seattle celebrations. The 5,000 aircraft were made in only 29 years, it said, with Boeing the first airframe company to announce a plan to develop a jet-powered airliner; the prototype 707-120 costs more than the company's net worth.

The 5,000 Boeings, almost all of which are still in service, have flown about 63.2 billion miles — equivalent to 340 round *trips between the earth* and the sun.

Boeing's corporate communications department also estimates that since 1957 the company has turned out one aircraft every 1½ working days; the 5,000 total is 55 per cent of the world production of 9,000 jets. All but 1,400 of the 9,000 are still in service.

The best selling Boeing by far has been the 727, with a world fleet of 1,832, followed by the 737, of which 1,275 have been sold. The 707 remains in service as the airframe for the E-3 Airborne Warning and Control System (AWACS), which Boeing, in collaboration with Britain's Plessey, Ferranti and Racal companies, is trying to sell to the Ministry of Defence.

Behind-the-scenes talk at Farnborough is certain to include speculation about an Airbus tie-up with McDonnell Douglas. The problem, however, is that neither company seems prepared to abandon its own plans for a long-range aircraft in favour of collaboration.

McDonnell Douglas has its own MD-11 on the stocks, a tri-jet able to transport 330 passengers 7,000 miles, and hopes to launch it as a programme later this year. If it obtained some firm orders, the American company would be in a much stronger position than Airbus and might back away from collaboration.

Airbus, meanwhile, is saying that the A340, due in 1992, a year later than the MD-11, is technologically superior and that it and McDonnell Douglas would benefit by pooling resources.

The British Government remains on the sidelines. After funding BAe in the form of repayable launch aid throughout the Airbus programme, it would lose considerable respect in Europe if it failed to back the remaining additions to the family.

Ministers apparently favour the link with McDonnell Douglas, without stating a preference on which of the two aircraft should be developed, on the grounds that it could give Airbus a bigger share of the huge American civil aircraft market.

Rivals in the air: While Boeing celebrates the production of its 5,000th commercial jet (its new 747-400 is pictured above), McDonnell Douglas and Airbus Industrie, which plans the A320 (pictured right), may collaborate on a new airbus which could dislodge the jumbo from its hitherto unchallenged leadership.

TEMPUS

Johnson spruces up for more expansion

Mention drycleaning and for most people, the first name to come to mind is Sketchley. Just as big, with nearly a 25 per cent market share is Johnson Group Cleaners which yesterday announced interim results to June 30.

Drycleaning services, offered at 711 shops throughout the country, comprise 70 per cent of the group's British turnover. The other 30 per cent covers textile rental.

A dominant position in the home market makes it difficult to expand further by acquisition and that is why the group decided to expand in the United States where 30 per cent of its business now is. After a spate of acquisitions, 1986 is a year of consolidation.

Overseas business means that currency becomes a significant factor. The adverse movement of the dollar lopped £3 million off turnover and £400,000 off profit in the first half of this year.

The effect of currency and unseasonal weather caused turnover to fall 3 per cent to £44 million compared with last year.

Pretax profit on the other hand was up 5 per cent to £4 million. This was largely due to a drop in interest charges from £1.6 million last year to £1.1 million this year. Gearing is down and net debt at the end of June stood at 43 per cent of equity.

Unless something irresistible turns up meantime, Johnson plans to set off again on the acquisition trail in 1987. While it may make an acquisition in textile rental in Britain, its main thrust will be to buy further drycleaning outlets in the US.

The full year's profit is likely to be a little more than double that of the first half as there is a slight seasonal bias towards Christmas. For 1986 as a whole, therefore, it should make £8.5 million pretax compared with £7.8 million last year.

The tax charge for the current year is likely to be considerably higher than that for 1985 and will average around 37 per cent. This implies earnings per share of 41p, putting the shares on a prospective multiple of 13.7.

There is unlikely to be much action in the next six months unless there is a bid approach and the shares look expensive on the fundamentals.

An interim dividend of 5p, a 19 per cent increase on last year's, was declared. This is *intended to reduce the disparity* between the interim and final dividends and should not, therefore, be taken to be an indication of the likely total increase for the year.

Last year's final was 16.3p. If this is unchanged, then the 1986 dividend will be 21.3p, putting the shares on a yield of 5.4 per cent.

Garfunkels

Restaurants

A menu which attracts the tourist trade to prime central London locations has been the recipe for success for Garfunkels. Although recent additions to the group, which include the Strikes chain, are not yet firing on all cylinders, the chairman and chief executive, Phillip Kaye, is the first to acknowledge that there is limited longer-term growth potential in the original Garfunkels chain.

He is now looking to the provinces for expansion. At the half-year stage, there were a total of75 outlets, 10 of which had not started trading. There are plans to open another 10 restaurants, eight of which should be operating before Christmas.

Being able to choose the right site in the provinces is not as easy as choosing the right site in London, a city well known to the group.

Quality control is especially important in Garfunkels restaurants where the salad bar concept was a pioneering development. Because of the need to closely supervise all these outlets, it was decided to make all the restaurants outside London Deep Pan Pizza outlets.

These are doing well as is the newer London chain, Big'uns, which sells spare ribs. The seventh Big'uns outlet is opening soon. It may take some time, however, before the average London restaurant goer is adept at eating spare ribs.

The cost of refurbishing new acquisitions is usually met from cash flow. Although not averse to borrowing, the group has tended to call on its shareholders to finance acquisitions. However, the recent purchase of five new outlets was made for shares.

Dividends appear to be paid rather grudgingly although the group's record shows that money left in the group is put to good use.

A profit of £4.4 million is achievable this year (earnings per share of 8.8p). The shares are on a premium rating but deservedly so.

Queens Moat Houses

The decision taken 12 years ago to shun the bright lights of the capital may have seemed coy at the time, but it has provided John Bairstow's Queens Moat Houses hotel chain with firm foundations.

About 90 per cent of the group's business is of local or commercial origin and with only one hotel in central London, Queens Moat is virtually free from the vicissitudes of the tourist market and consequent traditional seasonality of the hotel trade.

The chairman's optimism contrasts sharply with yesterday's statement from Scottish and Newcastle. S & N's summer hotel trading has been severely hit by the absence of American visitors.

Yesterday's interim pretax profits from Queens Moat were 55 per cent ahead at £6.3 million. The rate of underlying growth was nearer 30 per cent.

It takes time for newly-added hotels to make a useful contribution to profits. There was, for example, little benefit in these figures from *acquisitions made in the* latter part of 1985.

Increased competition from those wishing to copy Queens Moat's safe formula is pushing up the price of provincial hotels. The differential between building anew and buying going concerns has been eroded. As a result, Queens Moat is planning to open two more hotels by the end of this year and several more in the next few years. The acquisition of suitable, well-sited, established hotels will continue.

Refurbishment costs in the current year will amount to £8 million, rising to £20 million in 1987, which includes the cost of adding conference-facilities.

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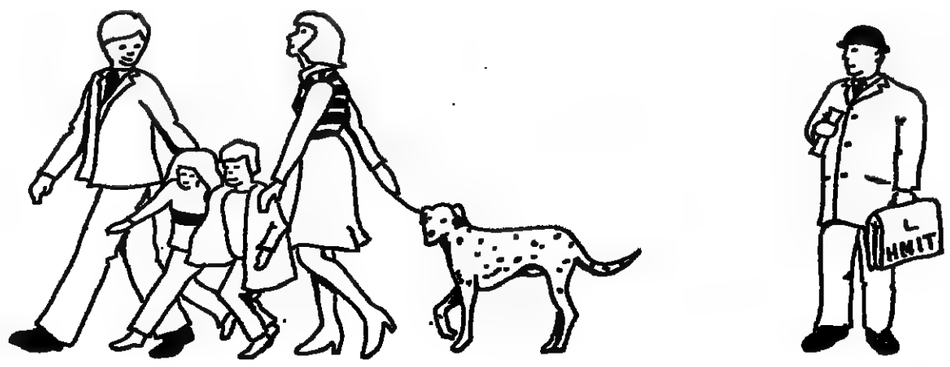

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Decline in United Packaging profits

By Amanda Gee Smyth

Pretax profits of United Packaging, badly hit by the 25 per cent devaluation of the Zimbabwe dollar, declined slightly in the year to April 30. They were £1.12 million against £1.29 the previous year.

But higher returns from its British operations enabled the USM company to maintain pretax profits above £1 million for the third successive year. Operations in Zimbabwe have in the past accounted for about half the company's profits. UP — a stretch wrap and twine group — have always discounted its Zimbabwe earnings in formulating its dividend policy.

Remittance to Britain of part of its blocked dividends there will be about £80,000 in the current financial year, and about the same remittances are expected over the next few years.

UP's Botswana company saw a small profit at the end of its first financial year, and this is freely remittable to Britain.

A final dividend of 1.85p per share is proposed, making a total dividend of 3.25p per share for the year, representing a 20 per cent increase over last year.

Dowty pays £5.9m for Waverley Electronics

By Teresa Poole

Dowty, the engineering and aerospace group, yesterday announced the £5.9 million acquisition of Waverley Electronics, a private manufacturer of advanced naval sonar systems.

Waverley is best known for manufacturing the equipment which decodes signals from sonar submarine hunting devices.

The purchase will strengthen Dowty's expertise in underwater warfare equipment and extend its range of sonar products. It already has a company which manufactures sonar devices, and Waverley's expertise in signal processing will mean that the company can offer a complete sonar system.

Waverley, based at Weymouth, Dorset, made pretax profits of £500,000 on turnover of £5.4 million in the year to February 28.

The consideration will be £4.6 million cash, with the balance an issue of shares. A further payment of £200,000 cash will be made, subject to Waverley's performance in the year to March 31, 1987.

Through its joint venture company with CAP Group, Dowty recently won a contract to develop and produce an advanced submarine command and control system for the Ministry of Defence.

APPOINTMENTS

The Thomas Cook Group: **Sir Kenneth James** becomes a non-executive director.

Europ Assistance: **Mr AE Dunlop** has joined the board as managing director.

Brookes & Vernons PR: **Mr John Hutchinson** has been made account director.

Austin Rover Group: **Mr Fred Coultas** has been named as director, engineering operations.

Everest & Jennings: **Mr John B Chant** has been made development director, **Mr Andrew C Dick** production director and **Mr Richard H Downing** financial director and company secretary.

Illingworth, Morris: **Mr Harry E Lack** has been named as chief executive, Crombie division.

Hertz Europe: **Mr Robin Davies** becomes division vice-president, sales.

Pannell Kerr Forster: **Mr John Grogan** has been made a partner.

Mr Fred Coultas

Terminal Display Systems (TDS): **Mr Michael Baker** has been made engineering director, **Mr Trevor Hemmington**, international sales director, **Mr Frank Jones**, commercial director and **Mr Mike Lawton**, marketing director.

Jaeger: **Mrs Sheila Reiter** has been appointed managing director of ladieswear UK.

WALL STREET

Shares ease slightly in early trading

New York (Reuter) — Share prices eased *slightly in early* trading yesterday following the long anticipated discount rate cut.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which was down about five points shortly after the opening, trimmed its loss to 3.10 at 1,878 later.

The utilities average was *marginally up at 219.31, a rise* of 0.16, while the broader New York Stock Exchange composite index slipped 0.05 to 143.59.

USX Corporation led active shares, up ¼ to 19¾, and IBM rose ⅜ to 139⅝.

	Aug 20	Aug 19		Aug 20	Aug 19		Aug 20	Aug 19
AMR	54¾	53¾	Firestone	24¾	24½	Pfizer	68¾	69¾
ASA	32¼	31½	Fst Chicago	30¾	30¼	Phelps Dge	18¾	18¼
Allied Signal	41⅛	41⅛	Fst Int Bncp	64¾	63¾	Philip Mrs	76⅝	74⅝
Allied Strs	50⅝	50⅝	Fst Penn C	6⅝	7⅝	Phillips Pet	10	9⅝
Allis Chlmrs	3⅝	3⅝	Ford	62⅝	60⅝	Polaroid	63½	62⅝
Alcoa	36¾	36½	FT Wachvia	43	42⅝	PPG Ind	66⅝	65⅝
Amax Inc	12⅝	11⅝	GAF Corp	33⅝	33	Prctr Gmbl	77⅝	76⅝
Am'rda Hs	19⅝	19⅛	GTE Corp	58	56⅝	Pb S E & G	47⅝	45⅝
Am Brands	93	92⅝	Gen Corp	73⅝	72⅝	Raytheon	62⅝	61⅝
Am Can	87⅝	87⅝	Gen Dy'mcs	73½	72⅝	Rynlds Met	43⅛	43⅛
Am Cynm'd	86	84⅝	Gen Electric	76⅝	75⅝	Rockwell Int	42⅝	41⅝
Am El Pwr	31⅛	30	Gen Inst	21⅝	20⅝	Royal Dutch	87⅝	86⅝
Am Express	64⅝	61⅝	Gen Mills	88⅝	89⅝	Safeways	66⅝	65⅝
Am Home	92⅝	92⅝	Gen Motors	74⅝	72⅝	Sara Lee	69⅝	70⅝
Am Motors	2⅝	2⅝	Gn Pb Ut ny	24½	23⅝	SFE Sopac	30⅝	29⅝
Am St'nrd	37⅝	37⅝	Genesco	3½	3⅛	Schl'berger	31⅛	31⅛
Am Teleph	23⅝	23⅝	Georgia Pac	33⅛	32⅝	Scott Paper	57⅝	57⅝
Amoco	65⅝	64½	Gillette	49⅝	44⅝	Seagram	59	58⅝
Armco Steel	6⅝	6⅝	Goodrich	38⅝	38⅝	Sears Rbck	45⅝	45⅝
Asarco	15	13	Goodyear	34⅝	33⅝	Shell Trans	52⅝	52⅝
Ashland Oil	35⅝	35⅛	Gould Inc	18⅝	18⅝	Singer	53⅝	52½
At Richfield	55⅝	54⅝	Grace	48⅝	48⅛	Smithkln Bk	90	88⅝
Avon Prods	34⅝	34	Gt Atl & Tac	25⅝	25⅝	Sony	19½	19
Blrs Tst NY	51⅛	50⅝	Gt'hnd	31⅝	31	Sth Cal Ed	36⅝	36⅝
Bankamer	12⅝	12⅝	Grumen Cor	25⅝	24⅝	Sperry Corp	76	75⅝
Bk of Boston	41⅝	41⅝	Gulf & West	67⅝	65⅝	Std Oil Ohio	47⅝	46⅝
Bank of NY	67⅝	67⅝	Heinz H.J.	46⅝	46⅝	Sterling Drg	50⅝	49⅝
Beth Steel	8⅝	8⅛	Hercules	53⅝	54⅝	Stevens JP	36⅝	36⅝
Boeing	61½	59⅝	H'lett-Pkrd	43⅛	42	Sun Comp	51½	50⅝
Boe Cascde	54⅝	54⅝	Honeywell	71⅛	70⅝	Teledyne	321⅝	323⅝
Borden	47⅝	47⅝	IC Inds.	25⅝	25⅝	Tenneco	40⅝	39⅝
Bg Warner	34⅝	34⅛	Ingersoll	58	57⅝	Texaco	31⅝	31
Brist Myers	79⅝	79⅝	Inland Steel	17⅝	17⅝	Texas E Cor	28⅝	27⅝
BP	38⅝	38	IBM	139⅝	136⅝	Texas Inst	117½	114⅝
Burl'ton Ind	37⅝	37⅝	INCO	11⅝	11⅝	Texas Utlte	36⅝	36⅝
Burl'ton Nin	53⅝	53½	Int Paper	67⅝	67⅝	Textron	55⅝	55
Burroughs	71½	70½	Int Tel Tel	53½	52⅝	Travlrs Cor	46½	47
Campbell Sp	64½	65⅝	Irving Bank	52⅝	53⅝	TRW Inc	99⅝	99⅝
Can Pacific	10⅝	10⅝	Jhnsn & Jhn	73½	70⅝	UAL Inc	53⅝	52⅝
Caterpillar	46	45⅝	Kaiser Alum	16⅝	16⅝	Unilever NV	225	220⅝
Celanese	215⅛	213⅝	Kerr McGee	28⅝	27⅝	Un Carbide	22	21⅝
Central SW	36⅝	36⅝	Kmb'ly Clrk	66⅝	67⅝	Un Pac Cor	56⅝	55⅝
Champion	25	24⅝	K Mart	52⅝	53⅝	Utd Brands	28⅝	28⅝
Chase Man	42	40½	Kroger	64⅝	64⅝	USG Corp	39⅝	38
Chm Bk NY	48⅝	48⅝	L.T.V. Corp	2⅝	2⅝	Utd Technol	45⅝	45⅝
Chevron	43⅝	42⅝	Litton	75⅝	75⅝	USX Corp	19⅝	17⅝
Chrysler	41⅝	40	Lockheed	49⅝	48⅝	Uscecil	20⅝	20⅝
Citicorp	55⅝	54⅝	Lucky Strs	25½	25	Jim Walter	48⅝	49
Clark Equip	17⅝	17⅝	Man H'nvr	46⅝	45⅝	Wmer Lmbt	61⅝	61⅝
Coca Cola	39⅝	38	Manville Cp	2⅝	2⅝	Wells Fargo	110⅝	109⅝
Colgate	41	40⅝	Mapco	46⅝	46⅝	W'stghse El	57⅝	57⅝
CBS	143⅝	143½	Marine Mid	51	50⅝	Weyerh'ser	34⅝	34⅝
C'mbs Gas	40⅝	40⅝	Mrt Marietta	45⅝	43⅝	Whirlpool	73⅝	73⅝
Cmb'tn Eng	29⅝	29⅝	Masco	29	28⅝	Woolworth	42⅝	42⅝
Comwlth Ed	34⅝	33⅝	McDonalds	66	65⅝	Xerox Corp	57⅝	56
Cons Edis	52⅛	50⅝	McDonnell	84⅝	83⅝	Zenith	25⅝	25⅝
Cn Nat Gas	31⅝	30⅝	Mead	55⅝	54⅝			
Cons Power	12⅝	12⅝	Merck	113⅝	115½			
Cntrl Data	23⅝	22	Minsta Mng	111⅛	109⅝			
Corning Gl	60⅝	59½	Mobil Oil	34⅝	34⅝			
CPC Intl	69⅝	68⅝	Monsanto	71⅝	71			
Crane	30⅝	30⅝	Morgan J.P.	94	93⅝			
Crn Zeller	44⅝	42½	Motorola	40⅝	39⅝			
Dart & Kraft	60⅝	60⅝	NCR Corp	53⅝	53⅝			
Deere	23⅝	25⅝	NL Indstrs	4⅝	4⅝			
Delta Air	41⅝	40⅝	Nat Distlrs	35⅝	34⅝			
Detroit Ed	18⅝	17⅝	Nat Med Ent	24	23⅝			
Digital Eq	98⅝	97⅝	Nat Smcndt	9⅝	9⅝			
Disney	46	45⅝	Norfolk Sth	79⅝	79⅝			
Dow Chem	54	53⅝	NW Bancrp	38⅝	38⅝			
Dresser Ind	17⅝	16⅝	Occidnt Pet	27⅝	27⅝			
Duke Power	51⅝	50⅝	Ogden	42⅝	41⅝			
Du Pont	79⅝	78½	Olin Corp	47⅝	47⅝			
Eastern Air	8⅝	8⅝	Owens-Il	43⅝	44⅝			
Estm Kodak	57⅝	56⅝	Pac Gas El	27	26⅝			
Eaton Corp	69⅝	69⅝	Pan Am	5⅝	5⅝			
Emerson El	65⅝	65	Penney J.C.	78⅝	77⅝			
Exxon Corp	65⅝	65	Penrzoil	53⅛	52⅝			
Fed Dpt Sts	82⅝	81⅝	Pepsico	32⅝	32⅝			

CANADIAN PRICES

Abitibi	22½	23
Alcn Alum	41⅝	41⅝
Algoma Stl	13	12⅝
Can Pacific	15	14⅝
Cominco	12	12⅝
Con Bathrst	23⅝	23
Hlr/Sid Can	27⅝	28
Hdsn B Min	27⅝	27⅝
Imasco	34⅝	33⅝
Imperial Oil	42⅝	42⅝
In Pipe	38	38
Fyl Trustco	32	32⅝
Seagram	82⅝	81⅝
Steel Co	21	20⅝
Thmsn N 'A'	29	29⅝
Varity Corp	3.15	3.15
Wstc Hiram	38	38
WCT	32⅝	32⅝

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USX bid speculation

Melbourne (AP-Dow Jones) — Mr Robert Holmes à Court's investment in America's biggest steel company, USX Corporation, is based on a belief that its shares are undervalued, his spokesman said.

Mr Holmes à Court has notified USX that he is planning to acquire as much as 15 per cent of the company.

The move fuelled speculation that Mr Holmes à Court may be selling his stakes in Australian Steel and Broken Hill Proprietary Co to launch a takeover for USX.

STOCK REPORT REPORT

Early rises cut back but oils and buildings shine

Share prices made a bright start yesterday, cheered by the US Federal Reserve's decision to cut its discount rate by half a point to the lowest level for nine years.

However, the buoyant mood was short-lived as the Bank of England quickly dampened the enthusiasm by giving a warning that it was not prepared to sanction an early cut in domestic rates at present.

So, although most dealers now expect a reduction sometime next month – perhaps after Japan or West Germany reduce their rates – early gains were soon trimmed as investors decided to stay on the sidelines in front of the long, holiday weekend.

The FT 30 Share index slipped by 1.3 points to 1,267.1; while the broader-based FT-SE 100 index closed 2.2 points up at 1,606.8. But there were still some useful rises in one or two sectors.

Oils continued to benefit from the brighter outlook for crude prices. BP advanced 10p to 635p and Shell 17p to 885p. Century Oils, supported by a favourable circular, climbed 13p to 139p.

Building shares made good progress on hopes that mortgage rates will soon be reduced again. Among the best were Costain, at 556p, and Tarmac, at 472p, both up 8p.

Stores were firm at first, but failed to hold the gains. Boots fell 7p to 212p, still concerned with the growing opposition to the proposed acquisition of Flint. Burton Group added 2p to 308p following confirmation of the sale of Hamleys for £30 million. The buyer, Harris Queensway, fell 6p to 232p.

Breweries were overshadowed by a rather gloomy statement on current trading from Scottish & Newcastle, mainly because of the reduction in American tourists.

S & N, which earlier this week made a bid for the Midlands-based Home Brewery, lost 6p to 180p.

On the takeover scene, increased and final offers from BET for HAT Group and Brengreen boosted the shares. HAT, at 139p, and Brengreen, 48.5p, both added 3p, while Hawley Group, which accepted the higher terms for its own holdings, added 2p to 106p. BET gave up 2p to 408p.

London & Midland Industrials was a late feature at 207p, up 10p, on talk of a bid from Williams Holdings.

Elsewhere in firm engineers, TI Group, at 497p, jumped by 34p on unsubstantiated reports that Citicorp was about to mount a consortium offer, involving Hoover of the US.

Evered Holdings, which has a substantial interest in TI, gained 14p to 218p in sympathy. Thermax improved 5p to 133p, as Suter increased its stake to above 14 per cent.

Extel put on 3p to 406p as Mr Robert Maxwell lifted his holding to just under 30 per cent by buying a further 1.3 million shares in the market at 424.75p.

The move was not unexpected and strengthens his hand in opposing Extel's planned acquisition of the Dealers' Digest which is to be put to shareholders next Friday.

Thomas Robinson was hoisted 11p to 361p after a 14 per cent earnings expansion, but losses unsettled Scottish Agricultural Industries at 221p, down 7p and Dale Electric, 12p lower at 51p. Bestwood dipped 15p to 580p as the company improved its offer for Barrie Investments, unchanged at 16.5p.

Unitization and takeover hopes continued to support Pacific Investment Trust at 126p, up 3p. MK Electric attracted strong demand at 368p, up 20p and Smiths Industries also did well at 266p, up by 6p.

Jonas Woodhead, where Carclo recently increased its stake, added 4p to 66p. Queens Moat hardened by 1.5p to 75.5p after a 55 per cent profit improvement and a one-for-five scrip issue.

The booming coffee price boosted Eastern Produce by 13p to 293p. Associated Fish, in which EP has a substantial stake, jumped 7p to 102p.

Attwoods gained 9p to 187p after favourable comment, but an adverse circular knocked 10p from Dawson International at 242p.

Expansion hopes stimulated British Benzol at 76p, a rise of 5p.

Merchant banks returned to favour, with Morgan Grenfell rallying by 10p to 448p. The profits recovery helped J Jarvis to a 25p rise to 420p, but disappointing results clipped 5p from Garfunkels at 132p.

Discount houses reflected the trend to cheaper money with Union 10p higher at 663p.

Provident Financial was wanted for a similar reason, up 13p to 338p. Cattle's (Holdings) added a penny, helped by the 36 per cent profit increase.

Ault & Wiborg was 3p dearer at 47p following the Japanese approach for the printing inks division. The interim figures are due today.

Gilts took heed of the Bank's caution, to finish an eighth lower on balance.

GPI offer

GPI Leisure Corporation, whose main investment is a 49 per cent stake in the Austotel Trust, which owns 267 Australian hotels, is offering 100 million ordinary shares to the public at Aus$1 each, in one of Australia's biggest public flotations. Alexanders Laing and Cruickshank is handling 30 per cent of the issue in London.

RECENT ISSUES

EQUITIES

Anglia Secs (115p)	152
Ashley (L) (135p)	196 +2
BBB Design (67p)	70
Beaverco (145p)	150 +2
Borland (125p)	143
Chelsea Man (125p)	128 +1
Coated Electrodes (84p)	92 +4
Coline (110p)	124
Evans Halshaw (120p)	117
Fletcher Dennys (70p)	73
GT Management (210p)	210 +2
Guthrie Corp (150p)	189 +4
Harrison (150p)	163
Hille Ergonom (92p)	93
Hughes Food (20p)	23 -½
Lon utd Inv (330p)	431 -4
M6 Cash & C (100p)	80 -2
Marina Dev (110p)	98 +2
Morgan Grenfell (500p)	448 +10
Omnitech (33p)	27 -5
Sheild (72p)	155 +5
Stanley Leisure (110p)	120
TV-AM (130p)	156½
Tandy Inds (112p)	147
Thames TV (190p)	237
Tibbet & Britten (120p)	144 +4
Treas 2½%IL 2016 £97	£41¼
Unilock (63p)	66
Windsmoor (106p)	107
Yelverton (38p)	¼

RIGHTS ISSUES

BBA Gp N/P	15
Barker & Dobson F/P	13¾ +¼
Cityvision N/P	28
Coloroll F/P	205 +1
Expamet F/P	178 +2
Forward Tech N/P	5
Rock N/P	4 +½
Television Sth N/P	21 +2
Top Value F/P	80
Yorkmount N/P	75 +2

(Issue price in brackets).

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

Three Month Sterling	Open	High	Low	Close	Est Vol
Sep 86	90.48	90.50	90.46	90.48	549
Dec 86	90.87	90.91	90.85	90.87	1770
Mar 87	90.89	90.89	90.87	90.88	184
Jun 87	90.70	90.70	90.70	90.73	18
Sep 87	90.54	90.54	90.54	90.57	10
Dec 87	NT			90.17	0
Previous day's total open interest 18271					
Three Month Eurodollar	Previous day's total open interest 20261				
Sep 86	94.04	94.05	94.01	94.05	741
Dec 86	94.08	94.08	94.04	94.08	2323
Mar 87	93.77	94.01	93.96	94.01	288
Jun 87	93.79	93.83	93.76	93.82	318
US Treasury Bond	Previous day's total open interest 6968				
Sep 86	102-03	102-11	101-22	102-10	5549
Dec 86	101-18	101-20	101-08	101-22	148
Mar 87	NT	—	—	—	0
Short Gilt	Previous day's total open interest 1260				
Sep 86	101-25	101-30	101-25	101-32	212
Dec 86	101-28	101-35	101-28	101-37	35
Mar 87	NT	—	—	101-37	0
Jun 87	NT	—	—	12-28	0
Long Gilt	Previous day's total open interest 16694				
Sep 86	122-00	122-07	121-25	122-03	8215
Dec 86	121-30	122-04	121-25	122-01	654
Mar 87	NT	—	—	121-26	0
Jun 87	NT	—	—	121-26	0
FT-SE 100	Previous day's total open interest 2452				
Sep 86	163.50	163.70	162.50	162.60	380
Dec 86	NT	—	—	165.55	8

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

First Dealings	Last Dealings	Last Declaration	For Settlement
Aug 4	Aug 15	Nov 6	Nov 17
Aug 18	Sep 5	Nov 20	Dec 1
Sep 8	Sep 19	Dec 4	Dec 15

Call options were taken out on: 21/8/86 Benjamin Priest, Marlborough Property Holdings, Raine Industries, Kia Ora, Parkdale Holdings, North Kalgurli Mines, S&U Stores, Johnson Firth Brown, Britoil, McCorquodale, Tricentrol, Westland, Ransome Sims & Jefferies, Ramishaw, Barker & Dobson.
Put: United Leasing.
Put and Call: Sun Life Assurance Society.

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

	Market rates day's range August 21	Market rates close August 21	1 month	3 months
N York	1.4840-1.5005	1.4950-1.4960	0.51-0.48prem	1.45-1.38prem
Montreal	2.0787-2.0858	2.0788-2.0803	0.36-0.28prem	0.70-0.55prem
Ams'dam	3.4452-3.4697	3.4452-3.4497	1⅛-1¼prem	4-3⅞prem
Brussels	62.23-63.77	63.23-63.42	18-12prem	45-35prem
C'phgen	11.5635-11.6154	11.5635-11.5802	1⅜-½prem	2⅜-1⅞prem
Dublin	1.1080-1.1145	1.1080-1.1090	18prem-10dis	12prem-27dis
Frankfurt	3.0535-3.0774	3.0552-3.0585	1½-1⅜prem	4⅜-3⅞prem
Lisbon	215.80-217.65	215.87-217.51	83-177dis	244-491dis
Madrid	199.42-200.34	199.58-199.84	44-84dis	128-219dis
Milan	2108.54-2122.71	2108.54-2110.94	1-4dis	5-9dis
Oslo	10.9283-10.9722	10.9283-10.9431	3½-4⅜dis	12-13⅜dis
Paris	10.0068-10.0615	10.0068-10.0240	4⅜-3½prem	11⅜-10⅜prem
St'khlm	10.3065-10.3367	10.3065-10.3209	⅝prem-par	7prem-par
Tokyo	228.81-230.00	228.81-229.18	1⅞-⅜prem	2⅞-2⅞prem
Vienna	21.54-21.69	21.54-21.57	8⅞-8⅞prem	25⅜-22⅞prem
Zurich	2.4580-2.4784	2.4584-2.4623	1⅜-1⅛prem	3⅞-3⅞prem

Sterling index compared with 1975 was down at 71.7 (day's range 71.8-71.7).

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina austral*	1.4595-1.4651
Australia dollar	2.4484-2.4530
Bahrain dinar	0.5625-0.5665
Brazil cruzado*	20.61-20.74
Cyprus pound	0.7300-0.7400
Finland markka	7.3225-7.3625
Greece drachma	200.0-202.0
Hong Kong dollar	11.6794-11.6868
India rupee	18.65-18.86
Iraq dinar	n/a
Kuwait dinar KD	0.4335-0.4375
Malaysia dollar	[illegible]
Mexico peso	1020.0-1070.0
New Zealand dollar	3.0728-3.0877
Saudi Arabia riyal	5.5200-5.6330
Singapore dollar	3.2144-3.2182
South Africa rand	3.8669-3.8897
U A E dirham	5.4835-5.5295

*Lloyds Bank

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland	1.3445-1.3475
Singapore	2.1480-2.1490
Malaysia	2.6010-2.6020
Australia	0.6105-0.6112
Canada	1.3912-1.3917
Sweden	6.8825-6.8875
Norway	7.3050-7.3100
Denmark	7.7450-7.7500
West Germany	2.0483-2.0493
Switzerland	1.6490-1.6500
Netherlands	2.3090-2.3100
France	6.7050-6.7100
Japan	153.25-153.35
Italy	1412.00-1413.00
Belgium(Comm)	42.38-42.43
Hong Kong	7.8045-7.8055
Portugal	145.20-145.50
Spain	133.70-133.80
Austria	14.44-14.46

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel.

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

	Series	Calls Oct	Calls Jan	Calls Apr	Puts Oct	Puts Jan	Puts Apr
Allied Lyons (*335)	300	48	56	66	5	8	11
	330	27	35	48	13	18	22
	360	11	20	30	32	35	36
BP (*635)	550	90	102	120	2	71	17
	600	47	65	86	12	20	30
	650	18	40	62	37	42	62
Cons Gold (*474)	420	74	82	92	8	17	25
	460	38	50	62	25	36	47
	500	14	28	38	60	64	74
Courtaulds (*263)	260	17	28	38	10	15	19
	280	8	18	27	23	26	29
	300	3½	11	—	40	42	—
	330	1½	5	—	70	71	—
Com Union (*302)	280	27	34	38	2	7	9
	300	9	23	28	7	15	20
	330	3	13	19	12	35	38
Cable & Wire (*342)	300	47	60	72	6	8	15
	325	30	42	55	12	17	25
	350	9	25	37	27	30	37
	375	4	13	—	42	47	—
Distillers (*745)	600	160	—	—	1½	—	—
	650	112	—	—	4	—	—
	700	65	—	—	8	—	—
GEC (*184)	180	14	22	28	8	8	11
	200	5	12	18	18	20	22
	220	2	5	—	38	38	—
Grand Met (*378)	327	60	—	—	1½	—	—
	355	36	—	—	8	—	—
	360	—	50	57	—	15	17
	382	22	—	—	18	—	—
ICI (*1007)	900	120	147	—	5	8	—
	950	75	107	127	12	20	28
	1000	40	74	87	27	37	50
	1050	20	42	60	55	60	75
Land Sec (*324)	300	31	40	46	4	7	9
	330	11	20	29	12	14	16
	360	3	10	17	38	38	38
Marks & Spen (*210)	180	34	39	47	1½	3	5
	200	16	23	32	4	7	10
	220	5	12	18	14	16	18
Shell Trans (*885)	750	137	148	160	1	8	11
	800	87	109	120	3	15	24
	850	52	70	85	23	28	40
Trafalgar House (*285)	240	50	56	63	2	5	8
	260	30	37	45	5	9	13
	280	18	28	35	13	19	21

	Series	Sep	Dec	Mar	Sep	Dec	Mar
Beecham (*395)	360	42	52	63	4	8	12
	390	22	35	43	12	20	25
	420	9	23	30	30	37	43
	460	2	10	20	68	70	73
Boots (*212)	200	17	29	36	5	8	10
	220	9	18	24	16	17	20
	240	4	11	16	31	32	36
BTR (*290)	280	19	32	42	5	13	18
	300	7	20	30	22	28	30
	333	1½	8	—	45	47	—
Bass (*745)	700	58	75	85	4	19	23
	750	20	45	55	25	33	43
	800	6	25	40	60	60	60
Blue Circle (*556)	550	18	42	60	20	23	32
	600	7	20	32	60	50	52
	650	1	5	20	100	100	100
De Beers (*625)	550	90	100	115	6	15	30
	600	55	75	85	15	35	55
	650	30	48	60	45	60	80
	700	15	27	40	80	90	120
Dixons (*366)	300	70	80	96	1	3	5
	330	40	52	62	3	6	9
	360	16	27	38	10	14	16
GKN (*259)	260	17	32	42	8	12	15
	280	7	19	30	18	23	26
	300	3	9	20	38	38	40
	330	¼	4	10	66	66	66
Glaxo (*950)	900	75	115	—	12	35	—
	950	45	80	115	25	55	70
	1000	25	60	90	65	85	95
	1050	10	40	65	110	120	130
Hanson (*185)	135	51	—	—	1	—	—
	150	38	—	—	1	—	—
	160	26	34	38	1½	3	5½
	180	9½	17½	24	5	7½	12
	200	3½	10	13	19	20	23

	Series	Calls Sept	Calls Dec	Calls Mar	Puts Sep	Puts Dec	Puts Mar
Jaguar (*483)	500	11	30	43	38	42	45
	550	2	15	28	78	82	85
	600	1	5	12	128	125	128
Thorn EMI (*481)	420	77	90	100	2	6	10
	460	40	57	70	4	13	17
	500	12	34	45	17	25	32
	550	2	12	—	62	65	—
Tesco (*403)	300	107	—	—	2	—	—
	330	77	85	—	2	4	—
	360	48	60	70	3	7	11
	390	25	38	48	8	12	18

	Series	Aug	Nov	Feb	Aug	Nov	Feb
Brit Aero (*501)	460	43	57	75	1	8	18
	500	7	35	50	6	28	32
	550	1	15	25	50	57	63
BAT Inds (*415)	360	58	68	83	½	4	8
	390	28	43	58	1½	11	15
	420	4	21	38	10	22	27
	460	½	7	—	47	50	—
Barclays (*488)	460	30	47	62	2	13	18
	500	3	22	37	17	30	37
	550	2	10	20	67	72	75
Brit Telecom (*192)	180	12	21	28	1½	6	11
	200	1½	10	16	10	17	20
	220	½	5½	9	29	29	32
Cadbury Schwpps (*188)	160	9	19	23	1	6	11
	180	1	9	15	15	18	20
	200	1	3	6	35	37	37
Imperial Gr (*373)	300	75	82	—	1	2	—
	330	45	53	—	2	3	—
	360	15	28	—	2	12	—
Ladbroke (*348)	300	48	[illegible]	[illegible]	1	3	5
	330	18	[illegible]	[illegible]	2	8	14
	360	2	13	18	15	25	27
LASMO (*126)	100	30	37	42	1	5	7
	110	20	28	35	1	8	12
	120	10	19	27	2	12	14
Midland Bank (*537)	500	42	57	72	1	8	15
	550	4	25	40	15	27	32
	600	1	12	22	65	65	67
P & O (*505)	460	45	53	68	1	7	12
	500	8	28	40	5	22	27
	550	2	10	23	50	53	55
	600	1	4	—	100	100	—
Racal (*176)	160	18	28	32	2	5	8
	180	3	17	20	6	14	16
	200	1	8	13	26	28	28
RTZ (*602)	500	105	112	122	2	5	10
	550	55	67	80	3	13	23
	600	10	43	65	11	30	47
	650	1½	23	30	52	70	67
Vaal Reefs (*60)	50	10½	13	16½	1	3	5
	60	2	7½	10½	2½	6	8½
	70	½	3	—	10½	12½	—

	Series	Aug	Nov	Mar	Aug	Nov	Mar
Lonrho (*206)	200	8	22	31	2	8	13
	218	1½	14	—	13	18	—
	236	1	8	—	31	34	—
	240	—	—	9	—	—	40
	255	½	4	—	50	52	—

	Series	Aug	Nov	Feb	Aug	Nov	Feb
Tr 11¾% 1991 (*£109)	106	2½	3	—	1/16	½	—
	108	½	1½	2½	5/32	1½	1½
	110	1/16	1	1 3/16	1½	2½	2½
Tr 11¾% 03/07 (*£120)	114	5½	6½	—	3/32	⅞	—
	116	3½	5	5/16	1/16	1 1/16	2½
	118	25/16	4	4½	3/16	2	3
	120	½	3	3½	13/16	3	4
	122	1/16	2 5/16	3½	2½	4½	5
	124	1/16	1½	—	4½	7	—

	Series	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov
FT-SE Index (*1606)	1525	88	112	130	147	1	80	14	20
	1550	63	90	110	125	2	16	23	30
	1575	40	70	85	107	4	28	33	42
	1600	22	52	70	92	11	37	43	57
	1625	13	38	55	77	26	43	52	70
	1650	4	22	40	—	47	58	65	—
	1675	1	14	20	—	70	78	80	—

August 21, 1986. Total contracts 26021. Calls 19104. Puts 6917. *Underlying security price.

MONEY MARKET AND GOLD

Rates fell smartly in busy first-hour trading yesterday following the US discount rate cut. Sterling certificates of deposit were particularly active, and trading was seen in the area of six months to 12 months. Once the Bank of England indicated its opposition to any immediate cut in British rates, the periods started to back up again. Day-to-day money stayed expensive.

Base Rates %
Clearing Banks 10
Finance House 10

Discount Market Loans %
Overnight High: 11 Low 10
Week fixed: 10-9¾

Treasury Bills (Discount %)

Buying	Selling
2 mnth 9 9/16	2 mnth 9 7/16
3 mnth 9¾	3 mnth 9 3/16

Prime Bank Bills (Discount %)

1 mnth 9 13/16-9¾	2 mnth 9 19/32-9¾
3 mnth 9 13/32-9 11/32	6 mnth 9½-9 7/16

Trade Bills (Discount %)

1 mnth 10 7/16	2 mnth 10 5/32
3 mnth 10 3/32	6 mnth 9⅞

Interbank (%)
Overnight: open 10⅞ close 13

1 week 10⅝-10⅜	6 mnth 9 9/16-9 7/16
1 mnth 10-9 15/16	9 mnth 9 9/16-9 7/16
3 mnth 9⅞-9 11/16	12 mth 9 9/16-9 7/16

Local Authority Deposits (%)

2 days 9¾	7 days 9¾
1 mnth 9¾	3 mnth 9¾
6 mnth 9 9/16	12 mth 9 9/16

Local Authority Bonds (%)

1 mnth 10⅛-10	2 mnth 10⅛-9⅞
3 mnth 10⅛-9⅞	6 mnth 10-9⅞
9 mnth 10-9⅞	12 mth 9⅞-9⅝

Sterling CDs (%)

1 mnth 9 15/16-9 13/16	3 mnth 9 11/16-9 9/16
6 mnth 9½-9⅜	12 mth 9 7/16-9 5/16

Dollar CDs (%)

1 mnth 5.95-5.90	3 mnth 5.84-5.79
6 mnth 5.90-5.85	12 mth 5.90-5.85

EURO MONEY DEPOSITS %

Dollar	call 6⅛-5⅞
7 days 6-5 13/16	1 mnth 6-5⅞
3 mnth 6-5⅞	6 mnth 6-5⅞
Deutschmark	call 5-4
7 days 4⅝-4½	1 mnth 4 7/16-4 5/16
3 mnth 4 7/16-4 5/16	6 mnth 4 7/16-4 5/16
French Franc	call 7½-6½
7 days 7⅛-7⅞	1 mnth 7⅝-7⅛
3 mnth 7⅝-7⅛	6 mnth 7⅝-7⅛
Swiss Franc	call 2⅛-1⅜
7 days 10½-10	1 mnth 4⅝-4½
3 mnth 4 5/16-4 3/16	6 mnth 4 5/16-4 3/16
Yen	call 5⅛-4⅞
7 days 5 7/16-5 1/16	1 mnth 5-4⅞
3 mnth 4⅞-4⅞	6 mnth 4 11/16-4 9/16

GOLD

Gold:$382.75-383.50
Krugerrand* (per coin):
$381.75-383.25 (£254.75-255.75)
Sovereigns* (new):
$91.50-92.50 (£61.00-61.75)
*Excludes VAT

ECGD

Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period July 7, 1986 to August 5, 1986 inclusive: 10.009 per cent.

Malaysia moves fast to buoy ringgit

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Bank Negara, the Malaysian central bank, has moved quickly to stop the fall of the Malaysian ringgit, which has been hit by rumours of a devaluation and heavy selling by overseas banks. But bankers here say that the worst is not over yet.

Other sources say that the government is likely to resist any attempt to depress the currency further.

Bank Negara does not normally comment on its currency transactions but it is believed to have bought between 80 million and 100 million ringgits, possibly through the London branches of Malaysian banks.

It was reacting to an escalation of the pressure that has plagued the ringgit for months, after a large sale of Malaysian currency in London last week by the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank.

Many overseas banks, including at least one in Australia, were no longer quoting a rate for the ringgit, and this added to the softening effect on the currency, bankers said.

The central bank's prompt action is reported to have caught the Hong Kong Bank short of ringgit, causing a loss of between $300,000 and $400,000, according to market sources in Kuala Lumpur yesterday.

Bank Negara had been attempting to stabilize the currency at 2.58 ringgit to the US dollar. But a week ago, the dollar was as high as 2.70 ringgit. Its action has brought prices to about 2.59 ringgit.

Bank Negara took the market by surprise, especially when it orchestrated the move on a public holiday last Friday. But it has hindered speculators in the past by ordering local banks to limit currency swaps with offshore banks, and it was this that caught Hong Kong Bank short of ringgits.

The ringgit has lost considerable ground against major currencies in the past year, falling about 40 per cent against the mark, about 45 per cent against the yen, 27 per cent against sterling and, in the past two years, about 10 per cent against the US dollar.

Rumours of a devaluation, coupled with the high Malaysian commodity prices, have been partly responsible for the pressure. But these have not been helped by increasing worries internationally over Malaysia's stewardship of its fiscal affairs. The latest is an investigation into 24 of the country's 34 deposit taking co-operative societies, with reports indicating that the problem could be more serious than was originally thought.

COMMENT

Tokyo and Bonn hold key to cheaper money

For the second time this summer, the United States has thrown down the interest rate gauntlet. And for the second time, it appears, the gesture has been ignored. Yesterday, in what was the best display of co-ordinated international action on interest rates for many a month, the West German central bank, the Bank of Japan and the Bank of England all decided to pretend that the US discount rate cut had not happened.

The Federal Reserve Board, in deciding to trim the discount rate cut from 6 to 5.5 per cent late on Wednesday, again achieved a timing surprise even though a reduction had been expected at some stage. Most analysts were looking for a cut next month, possibly preceded by interest rate moves elsewhere.

The trigger came on Tuesday in the form of the revised second-quarter gross national product figures, showing an annualized rise of 0.6 per cent. They coincided with the Federal Open Market Committee meeting, so the prompt rate cut looks logical enough, although if every change in the discount rate were so timed it would be a dull world.

So what happens next? The comparative lack of reaction to the discount rate cut in the foreign exchange markets, with the dollar somewhat weaker against yen and mark, but stronger against a pound affected by the gloomy projections of the National Institute, suggests that, initially, the United States has failed.

The strategy of US Treasury Secretary James Baker and Federal Reserve Board chairman Paul Volcker – to bump Japan and Germany into expansionary action – clearly requires the co-operation of the foreign exchange markets. This is why, in order to work, changes in the US discount rate need to do more than take people by surprise on timing. Exchange rates are not likely to move if the prospect of a cut some time has already been allowed for.

To some operators, the latest drop in the discount rate, to a nine-year low, is the end of the story. The United States can increase the verbal pressure for reductions elsewhere but it has used up the weapons in its own interest rate armoury.

This may not necessarily be so. Because Wednesday's rate cut came early, it could leave room for another reduction next month, as we approach both the first anniversary of the historic Plaza meeting of the Group of Five, and the annual meetings of the International Monetary Fund.

Japan and Germany may be willing to hold out against rate cuts now, and argue in terms of such factors as their own domestic monetary targets. But, come next month – when finance ministers and central bankers are faced with a trip to Washington and face to face browbeating – the mood may be rather different.

And Britain? The stock market's early excitement yesterday gave way to mild depression when it became clear that the room for cuts in base rates, high as they are, is limited by continuing exchange rate weakness. The economy appears to be so becalmed that even a fair wind from across the Atlantic is insufficient to get things moving. The best hope, here too, is cheaper money in Germany and Japan.

TSB's £12m City giveaway

Lazard Brothers yesterday unveiled the long-awaited underwriting terms for the Trustee Savings Bank offer. They should give potential investors cause for cynical reflection. It is no revelation that the City looks after itself, but in this case the TSB appears to be offering an entirely unnecessary handout to financial institutions for the sake of observing City traditions.

Lazard has had to make the best of the TSB board's insistence that the issue must be underwritten. That has been whittled down to between 75 and 80 per cent of the issue being fully underwritten, (excluding the loyalty bonus shares to be given later) while the total commission has been cut to 1.175 per cent from the usual 2 per cent on issues of this size.

The total figure breaks down into 0.3 per cent for the merchant bank underwriters – Lazard always accepted it would have to take a discount – while the stockbrokers will take 0.125 per cent. The usual 1.25 per cent sub-underwriting commission has been cut to 0.75 per cent. Lazard calculates that in all, assuming the issue is worth £1.25 billion, the underwriting costs will come out at less than £12 million, rather than the £25 million at normal rates for 100 per cent underwriting cover.

But that does not answer the question: why does the offer need to be underwritten at all? Since there is (according to the Government) no owner, none will lose if the issue is not fully subscribed. At the same time, with around 2.5 million public inquiries about the offer, it is clear that public interest is in ferment. Both the bank and the Government have made it clear that the issue will be attractively priced to bring in small investors, so the danger of undersubscription looks even more remote. Underwriters must be falling over themselves to get in on this one. It must look like money for nothing.

On the other hand, one might reasonably ask, who cares? Again, because no one owns the TSB, only incoming shareholders theoretically lose if a little money is spent on some needless underwriting. And out of £1.25 billion, a piffling £12 million is not likely to be begrudged. By spending it the TSB may gain some useful friends in the City where mutual back-scratching is the traditional way to do business.

Dale Electric plunges into loss and cuts final dividend

Reporting a full-year loss, Dale Electric International, which is based at Filey, North Yorkshire, is halving its final dividend to 1.5p. This cuts the total payment for the 12 months to April 27 last from 4.5p to 3p.

Dale tumbled into a pretax loss of £960,000, compared with a profit of £544,000 last time. Turnover edged up from £36.1 million to £37.95 million. There is a loss per share of 10.1p, against earnings of 3.17p. The board explains that the downturn occurred almost entirely in the generating set activities in the Dale Electric of Great Britain offshoot and in Thailand where there were total losses of £1.61 million, of which half related to bad debts (in both areas) and to foreign exchange losses in Thailand.

Big efforts are in hand to control working capital requirements. The problems of Dale Electric GB and Thailand apart, the nine other group companies increased their profits. The group is tackling its loss areas energetically and the medium and long-term view is positive.

Dale Electric GB showed a profit for the first quarter of the current year, a momentum which the board believes can be maintained for the full year. The Thai operation is now trading positively.

Having achieved record results in 1985, Cattle's (Holdings), a financial services group, based in Hull, Humberside, continues to push ahead. In the first half of this year, pretax profit expanded from £1.1 million to £1.5 million on turnover up from £43.46 million to £44.11 million. With earnings per share up from 1.50p to 2.12p, the interim dividend is being lifted from 0.72p to 0.92p. The board is confident about prospects for the rest of the year.

COMPANY NEWS

● DEWEY WARREN HOLDINGS: Half-year to June 30. Net brokerage income £1.32 million (£1.56 million). Pretax profit £269,000 (£799,000). Earnings per share 1.3p (10.1p). The board gives a warning that the full-year pretax profit on ordinary activities will be less than for the first six months.

● WERELDHAVE: Six months to June 30. Interim dividend 4.75 fl (same). Investment income 58.71 million fl (£16.87 million), against 55.26 million fl.

● PARKDALE HOLDINGS: Contracts have been exchanged with British Land for the purchase of nine freehold shops in York, North Yorkshire, for £1.96 million cash and for a shop at 1 Peter Lane, York, with vacant possession, for £150,000 cash. Contracts will be exchanged soon for the purchase of a further shop in York for £135,000 cash. Target UK Capital Growth Fund now holds 600,000 shares in Parkdale (5.6 per cent).

● PAUL MICHAEL LEISUREWEAR: The cash offer of 16.5p a share by Cleves Investments has closed. Immediately before the offer, Cleves held 4.03 million ordinary shares (55 per cent). No acceptances have been received and Cleves has not acquired, nor agreed to acquire, any shares since the announcement of offer.

● INDIA FUND: Up to 75 per cent of the shares issued have been allotted to applicants applying through selected dealers, brokers and banks or Merrill Lynch International. The remainder have been allotted as follows: number applied for, 1,000 to 19,500 – allotment, 100 per cent; 20,000 to 99,500 – 90 per cent; 100,000 to 199,500 – 70 per cent; 200,000 to 499,500 – 50 per cent; 500,000 to 999,500 – 40 per cent; over 1 million – 25 per cent.

● COMMERCIAL BANK OF WALES: The recommended offer made by the Bank of Scotland is now unconditional in all respects. The offer and loan-note alternative have now closed; acceptances have been received for 19.12 million ordinary shares (79.68 per cent), including acceptances not complete in all respects.

● J JARVIS & SONS: Year to March 31. Total dividend 10p (17.5p). Turnover £26.54 million (£18.26 million). Pretax profit £55,000 (£706,000 loss). Earnings per share 10.1p (59.5p loss). Improved financial controls have been implemented. The board says that there is an encouraging level of building activity. Following the losses incurred last year, there have been a number of board changes. The company has been seeking to sell a number of developments and investments and to concentrate on its construction activities.

● DAVIES & METCALFE: Conditional agreement has been reached for Bergische Stahl-Industrie to subscribe for 1.01 million new ordinary shares at 126p each, or a total of £1.28 million. BSI already owns 452,500 ordinaries and following the subscription will own about 29.9 per cent of the enlarged voting ordinary capital. A new five-year agreement will give the company access to BSI's product range for the railway industry and, in return, BSI will promote Davies's products in Europe.

● SCOTTISH AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES: First half of 1986. Interim dividend 4p (6.5p). Sales £49.8 million (£51.8 million). Pretax loss on ordinary activities £1.4 million (profit £800,000). Loss per share 9.4p (earnings 14.2p). With with no early improvement predicted for SAI's fertilizer business, the year will be a difficult one, the board says.

● LIBERTY LIFE ASSOCIATION OF AFRICA: Half-year to June 30. Interim dividend 150 cents (125 cents). Net premium income R430.9 million (£110.9 million), against R338.1 million. Net taxed surplus R35.6 million (R26.4 million). Net taxed surplus per share 203.2 cents (170 cents). The board expects the net taxed surplus per share and ordinary dividends for 1986 to show a "satisfactory increase" over 1985.

● BASF: Half-year to June 30. Pretax profit DM1.391 million (£451.17 million), against DM1.719 million. World net sales DM22.727 million (DM24.011 million). Given a stabilization of the oil and foreign exchange markets, BASF expects business to develop well in the second half.

On turnover more than doubled, from £8.66 million to £18.35 million, pretax profits of the Thomas Robinson Group, which is based in Rochdale, Lancashire, jumped from £136,000 to £1.55 million in the first half of this year. There is a tax charge of £400,000 (nil last time) and rationalization costs of £2 million (nil). The integration and rationalization of the recent acquisitions is progressing well and prospects for the remainder of the current year are encouraging. Robinson is an engineer and machine maker.

Booker in £6.7m buy

Booker, the food distribution, agribusiness and health products group, is buying Stanley Middlebrook (Mushrooms) for a maximum price of £6.7 million.

Middlebrook, based near Selby, Yorkshire, is Britain's third largest producer of mushrooms. It grows about 12 million pounds a year.

Middlebrook made pretax profits in 1985 of £509,000.

The purchase price is £5.2 million cash, plus a deferred payment of up to £1.5 million depending on profits this year and next.

THE "SHELL" TRANSPORT AND TRADING COMPANY PLC

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a balance of the Register will be struck on Wednesday, 3rd September, 1986 for the preparation of the half-yearly dividend payable on the FIRST PREFERENCE SHARES for the six months ending 30th September, 1986. The dividend will be paid on 1st October, 1986.
For Transferees to receive this dividend, their transfers must be lodged with the Company's Registrar, Lloyds Bank Plc, Registrar's Department, Goring-by-Sea, Worthing, Sussex, not later than 3.00 p.m. on Wednesday, 3rd September, 1986.

By Order of the Board
D.W Chesterman
Company Secretary

Shell Centre
London SE1 7NA

22nd August, 1986

BASE LENDING RATES

ABN	10.00%
Adam & Company	10.00%
BCCI	10.00%
Citibank Savings†	10.75%
Consolidated Crds	10.00%
Continental Trust	10.00%
Co-operative Bank	10.00%
C. Hoare & Co	10.00%
Hong Kong & Shanghai	10.00%
Lloyds Bank	10.00%
Nat Westminster	10.00%
Royal Bank of Scotland	10.00%
TSB	10.00%
Citibank NA	10.00%

† Mortgage Base Rate.

THE TIMES UNIT TRUST INFORMATION SERVICE

Fund	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
ABBEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 80, Holdenhurst Rd, Bournemouth BH8 8AL 0345 717373 (Linkline)				
Gilt & Fixed	118.4	125.2	+1.0	9.58
High Inc Equity	93.0	98.5●	-0.3	5.01
Worldwide Bond	194.4	207.9●	+0.3	4.67
American Growth	153.0	162.7	-0.9	1.52
Asian Pacific	49.3	53.0	+0.1	3.02
Assets & Earns	103.7	110.9	-0.8	2.19
Capital Reserve	68.0	68.4	..	1.52
Comm & Energy	71.1	76.0	-0.9	2.18
European Capital	99.3	105.6	+1.3	1.20
General	135.1	144.4●	-0.5	2.94
Japan	85.1	90.6	+1.2	..
UK Growth Inc	97.2	104.5	-0.1	2.17
Do Accum	139.4	149.9	-0.2	1.91
US Emerging Co's	55.4	59.2	-0.8	0.88
Equitas Progress	191.7	204.1	-0.5	3.36
Mellennial Acc	65.0	69.1	+0.1	2.95
ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS Allied Dunbar Centre Swindon SN1 1EL 0793 610366 & 0793 28291				
First Trust	221.2	235.6●	-5.3	3.59
Growth & Income	134.6	143.3	-0.3	3.16
Capital Trust	231.3	246.3	-0.5	2.56
Balanced	354.7	377.7	-1.3	3.22
Accum Trust	550.5	586.3	-1.6	3.02
American Income	32.7	34.8●	..	4.22
High Income Tst	248.4	264.6	-0.4	4.70
Equity Income	136.4	145.3●	-0.2	4.89
High Yield	142.4	151.7	-0.3	5.40
Govt Secs Trust	30.3	31.8	+0.2	9.11
International	87.9	93.6●	+0.3	0.87
Japan Fund	125.9	134.1	+1.0	0.01
Pacific Trust	187.7	199.9	+0.7	0.90
Amer Spcl Sits	65.6	69.8	-0.2	1.40
Secs Of Amer Tst	215.1	229.1	-1.3	0.91
Ast Asset Value	224.1	238.7	-1.2	3.26
Gilt Growth	38.4	40.1	+0.4	2.82
Smaller Co's	120.2	128.0●	+0.2	2.59
2nd Smaller Co's	153.4	163.4	+0.5	2.45
Recovery Trust	81.1	86.4	+0.1	2.18
Met Min & Cmdty	79.3	84.5	-0.5	2.34
O'seas Earnings	181.0	192.8	-0.4	3.08
Technology Tst	87.5	93.2	-0.4	0.97
Income Exempt	124.2	131.5●	-0.1	6.17
Exempt Smaller Co's	230.0	243.8	+0.4	2.88
USA Exempt Trust	344.6	365.3	..	1.12
ARBUTHNOT SECURITIES 131, Finsbury Pavement, London EC2A 1AY 01-628 9876 01-280 8540/1/2/3				
Capital Growth Inc	58.5	62.5	-0.2	1.68
Do Accum	65.3	69.8	-0.2	1.67
Eastern & Intl	147.2	157.4	-0.4	0.76
Do 6% Withdrawal	78.9	84.3	-0.3	0.76
Finance & Property	64.9	69.4	+0.1	2.15
Gilt & Fixed Income	48.2	50.7●	-0.2	8.24
Do Accum	81.9	86.2●	-0.3	8.21
Equity Income	73.8	78.9●	+0.1	4.85
Do Accum	174.9	187.0●	+0.2	4.87
High Yield Income	73.7	78.8	..	7.60
Do Accum	193.2	206.6	-0.1	7.60
Intl Income	78.7	84.2	+0.6	2.15
Do Accum	80.9	86.5	+0.7	2.17
Do 5% Withdrwl	73.1	78.1	+0.6	2.17
Managed Fund	83.4	88.8	+0.2	..
Preference Income	29.7	31.7	..	9.80
Do Accum	96.0	102.6	+0.1	9.80
Smaller Co's Accum	127.7	136.5	+0.3	1.73
World Penny Share	9.6	10.2●	-0.1	0.72
Portfolio Tst UK	78.0	80.8●	-0.1	1.58
Portfolio Tst Japan	110.2	114.2●	+0.4	0.00
Portfolio Tst US	69.9	72.4●	-0.2	1.09
Portfolio Tst Europe	117.0	121.1●	+0.7	0.00
Portfolio Tst HK	42.5	44.0●	-0.4	0.10
BAILLIE GIFFORD 3, Glenfinlas St, Edinburgh EH3 6YY 031-225 2581 (Dealers:031-226 6066)				
Intl Ex (23)	443.1	462.6●	..	1.08
Japan Ex (43)	454.4	478.9	..	1.90
UK Ex (31)	238.5	250.7	..	1.32
P'sal Pens Intl	448.0	471.8	..	..
P'sal Pens UK	199.0	209.6	..	..
BG America	168.3	179.1	-2.0	0.28
BG Energy	143.8	153.0	+1.1	1.33
BG Income Grwth	192.6	204.9	+0.8	5.26
BG Japan	215.2	229.0	+3.5	0.00
BG Technology	139.5	148.5	-2.8	0.66
BALTIC TRUST MANAGERS 25/26 Albemarle Street, London W1X 4AD 01-491 0295				
American	48.9	50.2	-0.3	0.77
Australian	17.4	18.6	..	3.04
Japan & General	120.2	128.6●	+0.4	0.17
High Income	44.6	47.7	..	8.03
International Trust	79.7	85.3●	+0.1	1.85
Income Gth Tst	45.8	48.8●	..	3.99
Gilts & Fixed Int	20.4	21.9	+0.1	8.97
Global Markets	35.0	38.3	-0.5	2.11
Special Situations	38.8	41.5	-0.3	1.67
BARCLAYS UNICORN Unicorn House, 252, Romford Rd E7 01-534 5544				
America	85.5	91.7	-0.9	1.38
Aust Accum	122.7	130.6	-3.1	1.54
Do Income	87.1	92.6	-3.6	1.54
Capital	68.4	72.7●	..	2.87
Exempt Trust	423.4	450.4	-1.8	4.61
Extra Income	74.2	78.9	-0.1	5.36
Financial	228.5	243.0	+0.7	3.10
500	262.0	278.7●	+0.4	3.10
General	137.2	145.9	-0.1	3.16
Gilt & Fixed Inc	54.4	57.2●	+0.4	9.58
Japan & Gen Inc	182.7	194.2	+3.6	0.05
Do Acc	184.8	196.5	+3.6	0.05
Growth Accum	178.5	189.9	..	2.78
Income Trust	328.3	349.8●	..	3.79
Leisure Trust	79.2	84.2	-0.4	1.41
Special Situations	139.5	148.5	+0.2	2.24
Recovery	190.0	202.1	-0.4	2.44
Trustee Fund	105.0	111.7	+0.1	3.53
Univ Tech Accum	62.2	66.5●	-0.2	0.20
Do Income	61.7	65.0●	-0.1	0.20
Worldwide Trust	153.3	163.0●	+0.1	0.67
'B' Tst Inv Fund Acc	321.7	342.2	+0.3	3.44
Do Inc	208.4	221.6	+0.1	3.44
BARING FUND MANAGERS PO Box 156, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XQ 01-658 9002				
Australia	61.1	65.3	-1.3	0.80
Eastern	58.0	62.0	-1.0	0.20
Equity Income	56.0	60.0	-0.1	5.60
Europe	126.8	136.6	+1.0	0.80
Growth & Inc	61.7	66.0●	-0.1	2.30
Japan Special	109.7	118.4	+0.8	0.00
Japan Sunrise	94.2	100.7	+1.4	0.00
First Europe	112.3	119.4	+0.8	0.60
First Japan	95.9	102.4	+0.9	0.00
First N Amer	42.7	45.1●	-0.3	1.80
First Smaller Co's	62.7	67.4	+0.1	2.70
BARRINGTON MANAGEMENT 10, Fenchurch St, London EC3 01-623 8000				
Planned Inv	131.0	138.4	..	3.80
European Inc	84.4	89.0	+0.6	1.55
Do Accum	116.4	121.6	+0.8	1.55
General Inc	158.3	166.3●	-0.8	3.00
Do Accum	213.1	228.5	-0.8	3.00
Gilt Yield Inc	115.1	118.6	+1.1	8.32
Do Accum	186.6	191.2●	+1.7	8.32
High Yield Inc	88.2	91.8	..	5.52
Do Accum	171.7	182.7	-0.1	5.52
Japan Income	266.2	280.3	+0.9	0.22
Do Accum	280.1	292.3	+0.9	0.22
N American Inc	63.3	66.4	-0.6	0.57
Do Accum	67.2	69.7	-0.7	0.57
Pacific Income	139.9	148.5	+0.9	0.20
Do Accum	158.4	164.0	+1.0	0.20
Smlr Co's Inc	79.6	85.1	..	1.71
Do Accum	94.7	100.8	..	1.71
BRITANNIA UNIT TRUST 74-78 Finsbury Pavement, London EC2A 1JD 01-588 2777 Dealing:01-638 0478/9 Moneyguide-0800-010-333				
Growth Gilt	59.8	60.5●	..	0.41
Intl Recovery	103.2	110.1	..	2.89
Smaller Co's	139.0	148.3●	+0.1	1.31
UK Growth	37.4	39.9	+0.1	2.18
Extra Inc	94.8	98.5●	-0.3	7.86
Gilt	26.5	28.0	+0.2	7.61
Inc & Growth	193.0	205.9	-0.8	4.33
Nat High Inc	191.8	204.6	-1.5	4.76
Pref Shares	18.0	19.2●	+0.1	10.56
Commodity	117.2	125.0	-0.9	2.77
Financial Secs	47.4	50.6	..	2.09
Gold & Gen	15.4	16.6	..	2.57
Intl Leisure	16.6	17.7	..	0.51
Prop Shares	66.8	71.3	-0.1	1.03
Univ Energy	45.0	48.0●	-0.2	1.54
World Tech	41.2	43.9●	..	0.86
Amer Growth	97.2	103.7	-0.5	3.24
Amer Income	58.7	62.6	..	5.21
Amer Smaller Co's	22.7	24.2	-0.2	0.39
Aust Growth	64.6	68.9	-2.0	1.79
Euro Smaller	16.2	17.3	+0.1	0.20
Far East	53.8	57.4●	..	0.78
Hong Kong Prf	25.1	26.8●	..	2.47
Intl Growth	37.6	40.1	+0.2	1.47
Japan Perf	83.6	89.1	+0.9	..
Japan Smaller	16.5	17.6	..	..
Exempt	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.2	3.72
Exempt Market	64.7	67.7	..	4.14
BROWN SHIPLEY 9-17, Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath 0444 458144				
Financial	134.3	139.8●	+0.3	2.67
Smaller Co's Acc	227.7	244.8	-0.5	..
Do Income	146.8	157.5	-0.3	0.98
High Income	65.8	70.6	+0.1	5.71
Income	75.7	81.4	+0.2	4.84
Man Portfolio Inc	60.4	64.5●	+0.1	3.16
Do Acc	101.8	108.9●	+0.2	..
North American	58.9	63.3	-0.1	1.33
Orient	88.2	94.8	-0.4	0.22
BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT The Stock Exchange London EC2P 2JT 01-588 2868				
General Inc (4)	209.6	220.7	..	3.18
Do Accum (4)	335.1	352.8	..	3.18
Income Fund (3)	101.6	107.1	+2.4	4.54
Do Accum (3)	178.2	187.9	+4.1	4.54
Intl Inc (2)	130.8	138.6●	..	1.43
Do Accum (2)	174.0	181.6	..	1.43
Smaller Inc (5)	£11.22	11.93	..	2.79
Do Accum (5)	£11.65	12.71	..	2.79
CS FUND MANAGERS 125, High Holborn, London WC1V 6PY 01-242 1148				
CS Japan Fund	95.9	102.0	+0.8	0.21
CANNON FUND MANAGERS 1, Olympic Way, Wembley, HA9 0NB 01-902 8876				
Growth	276.9	294.6●	-0.2	3.03
Income	322.9	343.5●	+0.1	3.81
Far East	217.7	231.5	+1.8	0.28
North American	151.3	161.0	-1.5	0.57
Global	49.2	52.3●	+0.1	1.50
European	50.9	54.2	+0.2	1.00
Japan	61.4	65.3	+0.4	0.50
CAPEL (JAMES) MANAGEMENT PO Box 551 Bevis Marks London EC3 7JQ 01-621 0011				
Capital	363.5	388.8	..	1.85
Income	279.6	299.1	..	4.84
North American	287.7	307.8	-3.3	0.86
CATER ALLEN 1, King William St, EC4N 7AU 01-623 6314				
Gilt Trust	102.5	108.5●	+0.8	10.60
CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND 2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ 01-588 1815				
Inv Fund	387.8		..	4.47
Fixed Int	144.4		..	9.90
Deposit	100.0		..	8.70
CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND 2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ 01-588 1815				
Income	384.14		..	6.06
Accum	£10.6781		..	
Deposit	100.0		..	9.45
CLERICAL MEDICAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH 0800 373393				
Amer Growth	22.9	24.4	-0.7	1.90
Equity High Income	41.7	44.4	..	4.70
European Growth	29.4	31.3	+0.4	2.00
General Equity	38.3	40.8●	-0.1	2.60
Gilt & Fixed Int Gth	30.2	31.8●	+0.2	3.20
Gilt & Fixed Inc	25.4	26.8	+0.1	9.50
Index Securities	25.4	27.0	-0.1	2.30
Japan Growth	36.0	38.4	+0.1	0.00
COUNTY UT MANAGERS LTD 161, Cheapside, London EC2V 6BU 01-726 1999				
Energy Trust	45.4	48.2●	+0.5	3.84
Extra Income	161.4	171.7●	-0.4	5.46
Financial	197.5	210.1●	-1.4	2.35
Gilt Strategy	58.5	59.2	..	1.93
Growth Investment	280.0	297.5●	-0.9	2.54
Income & Growth	39.6	42.1●	..	4.63
Japanese & Pacific	200.5	213.7	+3.3	0.03
Nth Amer Growth	101.9	108.3	-0.5	1.14
Intl Recovery	109.5	116.4●	-0.5	1.38
Smaller Co's	210.8	224.2●	-2.4	1.87
Global Inc Tst	57.8	61.4	-0.1	5.92
Special Sits Acc	277.3	295.5	-0.7	1.80
CROWN UNIT TRUST SERVICES Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW 04862 5033				
High Income Trust	238.5	255.2	-1.5	5.12
Growth Trust	216.7	231.8●	-1.8	3.11
American Trust	183.3	187.2	-1.3	0.73
CRUSADER UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD Reigate, Surrey RH2 8BL 07372 42424				
UK Income	48.3	50.5	..	4.47
UK Growth Accum	48.6	51.8	-0.1	2.43
Do Dist	48.6	51.8	-0.1	2.43
European Growth	54.6	58.1	+0.6	1.25
Pacific Growth	56.8	60.5	+0.6	..
EFM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 4, Melville Crescent, Edinburgh 031-226 3492				
American Fund	73.5	78.6	-0.1	2.15
Capital Fund	94.2	100.7	+0.4	1.69
Growth & Inc Fund	125.5	135.3●	..	4.43
High Dist Fund	107.0	114.4	+0.3	5.80
International Fund	197.2	211.0	+0.5	1.07
Resources Fund	22.3	23.9	-0.2	0.42
Smlr Jap Co's Fnd	37.3	39.9	+0.3	0.00
Tokyo Fund	187.4	200.5	+3.4	0.00
(Ex) Amer (2)	133.9	139.2	+2.8	3.83
(Ex) Japan (3)	115.3	120.1	..	0.18
(Ex) Pacific (4)	287.7	303.2	..	0.35
(Ex) Smaller Jap (4)	218.0	228.1	..	0.10
Eurofund	87.1	93.2●	+0.1	3.46
EAGLE STAR UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Bath Road, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL53 7LQ 0242 521311				
UK Balanced Inc	68.3	72.8	-0.1	2.87
Do Accum	69.4	74.0	-0.1	2.83
UK Growth Accum	83.3	88.8	-0.4	1.73
UK High Inc Inc	64.3	68.5	-0.5	5.18
N American Accum	66.3	70.7●	-0.2	1.05
Far Eastern Accum	107.4	114.6●	+1.5	0.00
European Accum	81.9	87.4●	+0.6	0.77
UK Gilt & FI Inc	54.8	58.4	+0.1	9.56
Do Accum	56.4	60.2	+0.1	7.56
ENDURANCE FUND MANAGEMENT LTD Admin Centre, Hexagon House, 28, Western Road, Romford RM1 3LB 0708-66966				
Endurance	110.7	118.4	+2.3	3.02
EQUITABLE UNITS ADMINISTRATION 35, Fountain St, Manchester 061-236 5685				
Equitable Pelican	73.5	78.2	-0.1	3.23
High Income Trust	75.6	80.5	-0.1	5.06
Gilt & Fixed Int	53.3	55.8●	+0.5	8.85
Tst Of Inv Trusts	60.7	64.8●	+0.2	1.98
Special Sits Trust	74.5	79.3	-0.3	2.41
Nth Amer Trust	59.5	63.3	-0.5	1.68
Far Eastern Trust	85.9	91.4●	+0.3	0.54
Intl Growth	51.5	54.8	-0.1	1.03
EQUITY & LAW St. George Hse Corporation St. Coventry CV1 1GD 0203 553231				
UK Growth Accum	147.3	156.6	-0.3	3.46
Do Income	127.9	136.0	-0.3	3.48
Higher Inc Accum	244.8	260.4	+0.2	4.86
Do Income	197.1	209.6	+0.2	4.86
Gilt/Fixed Accum	102.6	107.9	+0.9	2.63
Do Income	87.7	92.3	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nth Amer Tst Accum	133.5	142.0	-0.8	0.42
Far East Tst Accum	164.7	175.2	+4.3	0.37
Euro Tst Accum	160.9	171.1	+2.6	1.02
General Trust	236.5	251.5	-0.9	3.25
F & C UNIT MANAGEMENT 1, Laurence Pountney Hill, London EC4R 0BA 01-623 4680				
US Smaller Co's	71.5	76.5	-0.8	0.27
Capital Fund	107.2	114.7	+0.3	0.39
Income Fund	79.1	84.6	-0.1	4.66
Far Eastern Fund	79.1	84.7	+0.4	0.31
Overseas Income	72.7	77.8	-0.2	3.56
Fixed Interest	55.1	62.2	-1.3	9.00
Natural Res Fund	37.6	40.6	-0.3	4.26
European Income	81.5	87.2	+0.1	3.04
FS INVESTMENT MANAGERS 190, West George St, Glasgow G2 2PA 041-332 3132				
Balanced Gth Inc	43.6	46.4	..	1.80
Do Accum	44.3	47.1	..	..
Income Gth Inc	42.2	42.8	..	5.00
Do Accum	42.2	44.9	..	..
Service Co's Inc	48.1	51.2	..	1.00
Do Accum	48.7	51.8	..	..
FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL River Walk, Tonbridge, TN9 1DY 0732 362222				
American	104.9	112.2	..	0.63
Amer Equity Income	32.8	35.1●	..	4.45
Amer Special Sits	49.6	53.3	..	1.74
Far East Inc	35.4	37.7	..	3.72
Gilt & Fixed Int	31.2	32.8	..	8.96
Growth & Income	95.8	102.5	..	4.84
Japan Special Sits	48.2	51.6	..	..
Japan Trust	151.1	162.5	..	..
Managed Intl Tst	147.0	158.4	..	0.01
Max Income Equity	78.6	83.8	..	5.30
Professional Gth	32.9	35.1●	..	2.42
South East Asia Tst	31.1	33.1	..	0.51
Special Sits	162.4	174.7	..	1.01
FLEMING (ROBERT) 8, Crosby Sq, London EC3A 6AN 01-638 5858				
American Exempt	£354.2	361.9	..	1.86
Japan Exempt	£423.2	436.6	..	0.95
Am Property Tst	510789.0	●	..	5.00
Property Trust	£2032.0		..	5.80
FRAMLINGTON UNIT MANAGEMENT 3, London Wall Bldgs, London Wall, London EC2M 5NQ 01-628 5181				
Amer & Gen Inc	220.4	234.4●	-3.3	0.48
Do Accum	225.2	239.4●	-3.3	0.49
Amer Turnarnd Inc	208.0	221.2	-2.1	1.15
Do Accum	216.0	229.6	-1.9	1.15
Capital Tst Inc	208.6	221.8	+0.4	1.95
Do Accum	250.8	266.9	+0.4	1.95
Conv & Gilt Inc	87.4	92.8●	+0.4	5.38
Do Accum	116.2	123.6	+0.5	5.38
Extra Inc Tst Inc	158.5	168.8●	..	4.52
Do Accum	171.8	182.6●	-0.1	4.52
Income Trust	114.2	121.4	-0.2	4.39
Do Accum	120.2	127.8	..	4.38
Intl Growth Fd Inc	164.4	174.8	-0.8	..
Do Accum	182.6	194.2	-1.0	..
Japan & Gen Inc	94.0	100.0	+0.3	0.07
Do Accum	95.0	101.0	+0.2	0.07
Monthly Income Fd	81.2	86.2●	-0.1	4.84
Recovery	133.6	142.0●	-0.6	1.86
Do Accum	145.4	154.6●	-0.5	1.86
European Inc	62.2	66.0	+0.4	0.83
Do Accum	62.2	66.0	+0.4	0.83
FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS Pixham End, Dorking, Surrey 0306 885055				
FP Equity Dist	195.9	207.9	-1.1	3.03
Do Accum	320.5	340.6	-1.7	2.62
FP Fixed Int Dist	115.1	122.4	+0.5	5.97
Do Accum	131.0	139.3	+0.6	5.87
Stewardship Dist	171.6	182.1	-1.3	1.72
Do Accum	177.1	188.0	-1.3	1.72
FUNDS IN COURT Public Trustee Kingsway WC2 01-405 4300				
Capital	348.5	361.6	..	2.81
Gross Inc	148.2	148.9	..	7.74
High Yield	215.1	220.5●	..	6.09
GT UNIT MANAGERS 8th Floor, 8, Devonshire Sq, London EC2M 4YJ 01-283 2575 Dealing 01-626 9431				
UK Cap Fnd Inc	96.7	103.5●	..	3.00
Do Accum	139.3	149.0	-0.1	3.00
Income Fund	78.6	83.2	..	6.00
Pension Exempt	180.7	192.3●	+4.9	1.80
International	173.8	185.9	+1.0	0.80
US & General	58.8	62.5	-0.6	0.90
Tech & Growth	63.9	67.7	-0.5	1.20
Japan & General	281.0	300.5	+4.0	0.10
Far East & Gen	127.2	136.1	+2.0	0.40
European Fund	260.5	278.7	+1.6	0.30
Germany Fund	71.9	76.9	+1.6	0.60
GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS 2, St Mary Axe, London EC3A 8BP 01-623 1212 Dealing 01-623 5766 Dealing 01-623 5806				
American Trust	86.4	92.1	-0.4	0.60
Australian Trust	17.5	18.9	-0.9	0.90
British Tst Accum	57.7	61.0●	+0.4	1.89
Do Dist	48.2	50.0●	+0.3	1.89
Commodity Share	82.7	87.4	-0.3	1.47
European Trust	84.4	87.2	+0.7	0.51
Extra Income Trust	48.5	51.8	+0.2	6.17
Far Eastern Trust	180.1	180.6	+1.6	0.00
Fixed Interest Fund	28.8	30.1●	..	9.73
Gilt Trust	27.4	28.6	+0.1	8.52
Global Fund Accum	183.2	194.8	+0.6	0.19
Do Dist	174.5	185.7	+0.5	0.19
Gold Share Trust	12.0	12.8	-0.2	2.17
Hedged American	31.3	33.5	+0.3	0.10
High Income Trust	138.7	148.6●	+0.3	5.79
Hong Kong Trust	28.5	30.1	-0.2	1.10
Income Fund	73.7	79.0●	-0.1	3.38
Insurance Agencies	£46.88	50.44	+0.03	2.09
Japan Trust	163.7	174.1	+1.6	0.00
Managed Exempt	274.2	289.7	+1.6	2.40
Oil & Energy Trust	32.2	34.5	-0.1	1.78
Special Sits Trust	93.7	100.4	-0.5	0.75
UK Smlr C's Rec Tst	71.1	76.2	..	1.59
GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT Winchester Hse, 77, London Wall, London EC2N 1DA 01-588 5620				
Intl Growth	82.1	87.8	+1.0	1.87
American Growth	63.1	67.5●	-0.3	0.82
American Inc	69.0	74.1	+0.1	5.43
European Growth	229.7	244.5	+4.9	0.24
Gold & Minerals	36.4	39.0●	-0.7	1.79
Japan Growth	166.4	177.9●	+1.7	..
GRE UNIT MANAGERS Royal Exchange, EC3P 3DN 01-588 5903				
Gilt & Fixed Int	123.3	128.2●	+0.6	8.86
Growth Equity	198.0	210.7	-0.6	2.02
Guardhill	276.8	296.8●	-4.4	2.88
N American	138.4	147.3	-1.9	1.29
Pacific	249.3	265.3	+1.5	0.12
Property Share	260.0	276.8●	+0.8	1.44
Smaller Companies	212.5	226.1	+0.3	1.79
European Trust	254.9	271.2	+1.2	1.05
GUINNESS MAHON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS PO Box 442, 32 St Mary-at-Hill, London EC3P 3AJ 01-623 9333				
High Income	51.0	54.7●	+0.1	6.53
N Amer Trust	103.2	109.8	-1.2	0.86
Recovery	204.1	217.2	+0.6	2.37
Gilt Trust	39.2	40.6●	+0.3	8.97
St Vincent Inc	82.7	85.3●	-0.1	5.55
St Vincent US Gth	74.9	78.1●	-1.0	0.76
Temple Bar Sm Co's	171.5	181.0	..	3.27
Temple Bar USM	355.5	384.0	..	2.94
HAMBROS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Premier UT Admin, 5, Rayleigh Rd, Brentwood Essex 0277 217916				
Hambros Smllr Co's	130.0	138.3●	+0.1	1.87
Hambros N Amer	68.3	72.7	-0.6	0.91
Hambros Jap & F E	127.0	135.1	+0.2	0.44
Hambros Scandin	93.1	99.4●	+0.6	0.87
Hambros European	99.8	106.3	-1.4	0.87
Hambros Canadian	47.8	50.8	-0.4	1.57
Hambros Equity Inc	83.2	88.5	-0.4	4.82
Hambros High Inc	58.8	62.5	..	5.60
Hambros Res Assts	58.8	60.2●	-0.1	2.54
Hambros Intl Sits	49.8	53.0	+0.1	0.94
HENDERSON ADMINISTRATION Premier UT Administration 5, Rayleigh Rd, Hutton Brentwood Essex 0277-217238				
Special Sits Inc	132.7	142.0c	-0.2	1.02
Do Accum	186.9	200.0c	-0.2	1.02
Recovery Trust	95.5	102.2●	..	2.98
Capital Growth Inc	54.6	58.4	-0.3	1.46
Do Accum	62.8	67.2	-0.3	1.46
Income Assets	105.3	114.3c	-3.1	3.63
Financial Trust	141.3	151.9	+0.1	2.52
Income & Growth Inc	141.5	152.1	-0.5	3.01
Do Accum	276.8	297.6	-1.0	3.01
High Income Trust	170.8	184.1●	+0.6	4.94
Extra Income	160.2	171.4	..	4.70
Smaller Cos Div	105.1	115.7●	-1.1	5.09
Pref & Gilt	47.8	50.9	+0.1	8.36
Gilt Trust	44.4	47.1●	+0.4	9.21
Fixed Interest Trust	53.7	56.9	+0.1	9.34
Global Healthcare	71.9	76.9	-0.7	0.01
Global Tech	111.9	119.7	-0.2	0.01
Gold	41.8	44.9	-0.1	2.18
International	168.2	180.0	+1.0	0.06
Global Resources	62.1	65.8●	-1.1	2.10
Worldwide (5)	361.5	380.5	..	3.12
Australian	56.3	60.2	-2.5	1.53
European	250.5	268.4	+3.0	0.86
Euro Smaller Cos	95.5	103.8	+0.6	0.34
Japan Trust	179.9	194.6●	+1.4	0.01
Japan Special Sits	188.0	201.1	+3.0	0.01
Pacific Smaller Cos	71.9	77.3	..	0.78
Singapore & Malay	30.3	32.6●	..	2.81
North American	139.8	151.3●	-1.9	0.38
Amer Smaller Cos	51.0	55.1	-0.4	0.01
Amer Recovery Tst	102.1	109.2	-1.4	0.84
High Income Exempt	120.7	127.1c	-0.3	4.97
Smaller Cos Exempt	117.7	122.9	-0.2	1.74
Euro Exempt	126.3	132.9	+1.5	1.17
Japan Exempt (3)	170.1	179.1●	+1.0	0.50
N Amer	86.8	91.2	-1.1	1.09
Global Tech Ex (5)	97.5	102.7	-0.1	0.01
Pacific Exempt (5)	151.6	159.6	-0.8	2.04
HILL SAMUEL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS NLA Tower, Addiscombe Road, Croydon 01-686 4355 01-628 8011				
British Trust Units	532.2	569.4	-8.2	3.18
Capital Trust Units	98.3	104.3●	-0.2	2.71
Dollar Trust Units	188.3	200.4	-1.7	2.95
European Trust	137.1	145.9●	+1.4	0.66
Far East Trust	129.2	137.5	+1.8	1.11
Financial Trust	363.1	388.3	+0.5	2.77
Gilt Fixed Int Inc	29.4	30.6●	+0.2	9.40
Do Growth	44.3	48.9	+0.3	7.25
High Yield Trust	62.8	65.9	-0.2	5.27
Income Trust	81.4	86.6	-0.3	4.72
International	123.7	131.8●	+0.5	2.19
Japan Tech Tst	35.4	37.7●	+0.4	0.24
Natural Resources	30.4	32.4	-0.5	2.58
Security Trust	184.0	195.8	-0.6	2.92
Smaller Cos	89.4	95.2	+0.1	1.49
Special Sits	90.0	97.8●	-0.1	2.50
IBI FUND MANAGERS 32, Queen Annes Gate, London SW1H 9AB 01-222 1000				
IBI Brit & O'seas	134.8	143.6	+0.2	1.70
IBI Inc Plus	53.3	59.9	..	8.70
IBI Capital Growth	55.0	58.6	..	2.00
Investment Tst Fnd	65.6	70.0	+0.3	3.40
KLEINWORT BENSON 20, Fenchurch St, London EC3 01-623 8000				
Amer Growth Inc	84.2	88.0●	-0.7	1.17
Do Accum	85.5	89.5	-0.7	..
Fund Inv Tst Inc	20.3	21.7	+0.1	1.84
Do Accum	25.7	27.5	+0.2	..
High Yield Inc	125.4	133.5	+1.0	5.73
Do Accum	208.5	222.4	+1.6	..
Intl Recovery Inc	103.9	110.7	+0.5	1.81
Do Accum	109.2	116.5	+0.5	..
Japan Growth Inc	109.2	116.8	+3.5	0.00
Do Accum	108.5	116.2	+3.5	..
Smaller Co's Inc	161.8	171.6	+0.7	2.14
Do Accum	211.2	222.9	+0.8	..
UK Eq Growth Inc	28.5	30.2●	+0.4	0.73
Do Accum	47.0	49.5	+0.5	..
Worldwide Tech Inc	39.4	42.0●	+0.6	1.01
Do Accum	39.7	42.1●	+0.4	..
L & C UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT Plercy House, Copthall Ave, EC2R 7BE 01-588 2800				
Income Fund	429.2	438.1●	..	5.16
International & Gen	248.4	251.5	..	1.06
LEGAL & GENERAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 5, Rayleigh Road, Brentwood Essex 0277 234634				
Equity Distribution	271.4	290.3	-1.3	2.34
Do Accum	404.3	433.8	-1.9	2.34
Do Income	59.7	63.5●	-0.2	4.91
European	74.0	79.1●	+0.9	0.81
Far Eastern	121.6	129.4	+1.3	0.27
Gilt Trust	78.7	84.3	+0.6	5.49
MC Managed	82.7	88.5	-0.5	1.39
Natural Res	83.2	88.6	-0.6	1.86
N American Trust	77.3	82.7●	-0.6	1.81
UK Special Sits	70.0	74.4	-0.3	1.56
LLOYDS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Registrars Dept, Goring-By-Sea, Worthing, W Sussex 0444 459144				
Balanced	185.2	198.7	-0.3	3.17
Do Accum	320.6	343.1	-0.6	3.17
Energy Intl	50.5	54.0●	-0.2	2.38
Do Accum	56.6	60.6●	-0.3	2.38
Extra Income	153.9	162.5	-1.3	5.28
Do Accum	270.8	288.1	-2.7	5.28
German Gth Inc	70.6	75.7	+1.4	0.04
Do Accum	70.6	75.7	+1.4	0.04
Income	265.3	283.7	-1.1	4.56
Do Accum	522.2	558.5	-2.0	4.56
Intl Tech	186.1	199.0	+1.2	0.26
Do Accum	194.4	207.9	+1.2	0.26
Japan Growth	91.1	97.4	+0.8	0.03
Do Accum	91.4	97.7	+0.5	0.03
N Amer & Gen	101.9	108.9●	-1.3	0.90
Do Accum	110.1	117.7●	-1.3	0.90
Pacific Basin	137.5	147.0	+1.2	0.08
Do Accum	143.6	153.4	+1.2	0.08
Smaller Cos & Rec	189.4	202.5	..	1.89
Do Accum	211.9	226.6	..	1.89
Worldwide Growth	207.3	221.7	+1.0	0.79
Do Accum	291.3	311.5	+1.4	0.79
UK Growth Fund	47.8	50.7	-0.1	1.80
LONDON & MANCHESTER Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS 0392 52155				
General Trust	45.1	48.3	-0.3	3.60
Income Trust	37.1	38.7	..	8.20
International Trust	38.0	40.7	+0.2	0.60
American	33.8	35.1	+0.3	2.00
Japan	49.8	53.3●	+0.9	1.00
Trust of Inv	29.0	31.1	+0.1	2.40
M & G SECURITIES Three Quays, Tower Hill EC3R 6BQ 01-626 4588				
Amer & Gen Inc	213.2	228.1●	-2.8	1.57
Do Accum	248.5	265.9	-3.3	1.57
Amer Recovery	231.2	247.4	-3.0	0.55
Do Accum	252.1	269.7	-3.4	0.55
Am Smaller Cos	58.5	62.0●	-0.5	0.32
Do Accum	59.6	63.2●	-0.5	0.32
Aust & Gen Inc	78.8	82.2●	+0.2	0.80
Do Accum	84.0	88.9	+0.2	0.80
Comm & Gen Inc	144.3	154.4●	-0.3	3.32
Do Accum	190.8	204.2	-0.4	3.32
Compound Growth	401.8	433.9	+0.1	3.26
Conversion Growth	316.5	341.8	+0.5	3.07
Do Inc	180.4	191.2●	-0.1	8.11
Dividend Fund Inc	407.5	431.9	+0.2	5.03
Do Accum	£11.95	12.67	+0.00	5.03
European & General	218.3	231.4	+2.6	0.74
Do Accum	260.8	276.5	+3.1	0.74
Extra Yield Inc	229.5	244.2	-0.1	5.86
Do Accum	475.1	503.6	-0.4	5.86
Far Eastern Inc	127.7	136.6●	-0.1	1.45
Do Accum	156.1	167.0●	-0.1	1.45
Fund Of Inv Inc	241.9	256.4	+0.5	2.52
Do Acc	380.2	403.0	+0.7	2.52
General Income	609.2	645.8●	+0.2	4.11
Do Accum	£12.91	13.89	+0.00	4.11
Gilt & Fixed Inc	61.3	64.4●	+0.3	9.07
Do Accum	94.6	99.3	+0.4	9.07
Gold Income	34.8	37.2●	+0.1	2.85
Do Accum	37.1	39.7●	..	2.85
High Income Inc	314.8	336.6	+0.3	5.37
Do Accum	852.2	911.8	+0.7	5.37
Intl Growth Inc	751.2	796.3●	-2.1	1.56
Do Accum	£12.09	12.82	-0.03	1.56
Intl Inc Inc	58.2	61.7	-0.2	8.15
Japan & Gen Inc	855.6	911.2	+8.1	0.01
Do Accum	918.0	977.7	+8.3	0.01
Japan Smaller Acc	93.8	99.7	-0.1	0.01
Midland & Gen Inc	568.0	602.1	+0.6	4.10
Do Accum	£14.13	14.98	+0.01	4.10
Recovery Fund Inc	356.4	384.9●	-0.9	3.34
Do Accum	462.6	499.5●	-1.1	3.34
Second Gen Inc	708.3	760.6	+1.5	3.80
Do Accum	£13.98	14.82	+0.02	3.80
Smaller Cos Inc	645.2	696.6●	+1.8	2.89
Do Accum	£10.17	10.98	+0.02	2.89
Trustee Fund Inc	453.1	484.8	+1.1	4.38
Do Accum	£12.98	13.89	+0.03	4.38
Chaibond Inc (3)	112.5		+0.7	10.89
Do Accum (3)	362.2	●	+2.2	10.89
Charifund Inc (2)	390.3	394.3●	..	5.79
Do Accum (2)	£10.32	10.42●	..	5.79
Pension Exempt (1)	459.4	480.1	..	4.37
NAACIF Inc (3)	38.2	●	+0.7	8.10
Do Accum (3)	468.4	●	+8.1	8.10
MIM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 11, Devonshire Sq, London EC2M 4YR 01-256 8260/8262				
Equity Exempt	405.4	423.3	-1.0	3.50
Do Accum	523.0	535.8	-1.2	3.50
UK Market Features	77.0	82.1	+0.2	1.91
Do Accum	79.2	84.5	+0.2	1.91
Japan Performance	144.0	153.5	+1.7	0.01
Do Accum	144.6	154.2	+1.8	0.01
US Special Features	65.5	70.6	-0.5	0.00
Do Accum	66.1	71.3	-0.5	0.00
Gold & Precious Met	43.4	47.1c	-0.8	1.27
Do Accum	44.7	48.6c	-0.6	1.27
US Special Inc	57.3	61.7●	-0.3	4.56
Do Accum	62.0	66.9●	-0.3	4.56
European Perf Inc	88.5	94.1	+1.5	0.94
Do Accum	88.7	94.3	+1.6	0.84
MLA UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT 99-100, Sandling Rd, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XX 0622 674751				
MLA General	33.0	34.8	-0.1	2.14
MLA International	55.9	59.2	..	0.89
MLA Gilt Unit	23.9	25.3●	+0.2	10.27
MLA Income	41.2	43.7●	..	5.14
MLA European	31.3	33.1	-0.1	0.79
MANULIFE MANAGEMENT St Georges Way, Stevenage Herts 0438 356101				
Growth Units	74.1	78.7●	+1.4	2.76
Gilt & Fixed Int	113.1	117.1	+0.8	7.24
High Income Units	115.4	122.8	+0.1	5.46
High Yield Gilt Unt	57.5	59.5	+0.1	8.74
Intl Growth Units	140.9	149.7	+0.4	0.37
N American Units	71.5	76.0●	+0.5	0.44
Far East Units	98.0	105.2	+0.6	0.12
Smaller Cos Fund	67.8	72.2	+0.7	1.74
MENCAP UNIT TRUST Unicorn Hse, 252, Romford Rd, E7 01-234 5544				
Mencap	134.8	143.4	-0.2	4.46
MERCURY FUND MANAGERS LTD 33, King William St, EC4R 9AS 01-280 2860				
Amer Growth	95.5	101.3	-0.6	0.78
Do Accum	98.1	104.4	-0.6	0.78
Amer Income	51.9	55.2	-0.3	4.43
Do Accum	54.2	57.8	-0.3	4.43
European Growth	133.0	141.4●	+0.9	1.09
Do Accum	137.6	146.3●	+0.9	1.09
General	238.7	253.9	-0.9	2.73
Do Accum	386.1	412.6	-1.5	2.73
Gilt & Fixed	89.5	93.4	+0.6	7.36
Do Accum	100.2	101.8	+0.6	7.36
Income	82.8	88.0	..	5.00
Do Accum	91.5	97.3	..	5.00
International	260.0	278.5	+1.3	0.90
Do Accum	322.4	342.9	+1.6	0.90
Japan	201.1	214.0	+0.9	0.00
Do Accum	205.8	218.9	+0.9	0.00
Recovery	194.9	207.3	-0.3	2.47
Do Accum	208.1	221.3	-0.3	2.47
Exempt Dist	223.4	240.4●	..	2.65
Exempt Accum	361.5	372.6●	..	2.65
MIDLAND BANK GROUP UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Courtwood Hse, Silver St Head, Sheffield S1 3RD 0742 769842				
Capital Income	75.8	80.6	-0.2	2.26
Do Accum	103.4	110.2	-0.2	2.26
Commodity & Gen	104.1	110.2	-0.4	3.14
Do Accum	144.6	168.5	-0.6	3.14
Extra High Inc	56.5	60.1	..	7.76
Do Accum	67.5	72.4	-0.1	7.76
Gilt & Fixed Inc	54.4	57.6	+0.7	8.85
Do Accum	60.5	64.6	+0.8	8.85
High Yield	152.6	162.8	-0.9	5.52
Do Accum	268.5	276.7	-0.4	5.52
Income	168.0	178.0●	-0.4	3.79
Do Accum	273.3	291.9●	-0.7	3.79
Japan & Pacific	311.0	331.7	+3.3	0.08
Do Accum	329.1	347.6	+3.5	0.08
N American Inc	112.1	119.5	-1.4	1.26
Do Accum	124.5	132.6	-1.5	1.26
Euro Gth Inc	124.5	132.7	+1.7	1.07
Do Accum	140.3	150.2	+2.1	1.07
Smaller Cos Inc	113.7	120.2●	+0.4	2.12
Do Accum	126.3	128.3●	+0.3	2.12
MURRAY JOHNSTONE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT 163, Hope Street, Glasgow G2 2UH 041 221 9252				
American	117.6	125.4●	-1.2	3.01
European	257.8	276.1	+3.5	1.08
Smaller Cos	215.2	230.7	+1.0	0.88
NATIONAL PROVIDENT INVESTMENT MANAGERS 48, Gracechurch St, EC3P 3HH 01-623 4200 Ext 189				
NPI UK	199.2	212.0	..	2.80
Do Accum	321.7	342.3	-0.1	2.80
NPI Overseas	589.5	638.2	+0.3	0.70
Do Accum	731.7	778.5	+0.4	0.70
Far East Acc	98.3	102.5●	+1.2	0.10
American Acc	58.5	62.3	-0.5	1.30
European Acc	64.8	58.3	+0.6	0.80
Worldwide Acc	51.2	54.5	-0.1	1.40
NORWICH UT MANAGERS PO Box 4, Norwich NR1 3NG 0603 622200				
Group Trust	£12.02	12.66	-0.04	3.86
Intl Trust	130.5	137.4	-0.8	1.24
OPPENHEIMER TRUST MANAGEMENT 66, Cannon Street, London EC4N 6AE dealings 01-236 3885/6/7/8/9/0				
International Growth	142.4	152.4	..	1.89
Income & Growth	60.4	64.7	-0.1	3.08
Worldwide Rec	85.3	91.3	+0.3	1.56
American Growth	32.3	34.6	-0.3	0.00
Japan Growth	65.4	70.0	..	0.00
European Growth	69.1	74.0●	+1.1	0.07
UK Growth	56.2	60.2	+2.4	1.18
Pacific Growth	53.8	57.5	-2.4	1.26
High Income	33.3	35.7	..	7.37
Practical Income	54.0	57.6	+0.1	2.14
Do Accum	97.7	104.0	+0.2	2.14
PEARL TRUST 252, High Holborn, WC1V 7EB 01-405 8441				
Growth Fund Inc	91.2	97.0	-0.1	2.08
Do Accum	137.6	146.7	..	2.08
Income Fund	120.1	127.8	-0.3	3.70
Intl Equity Inc	134.0	142.6	-0.1	1.28
Do Accum	134.0	142.6	-0.1	1.28
Unit Trust Inc	127.2	135.3	-0.3	2.84
Do Accum	220.3	234.4	-0.4	2.84
PERPETUAL UNIT TRUST 48, Hart Street, Henley On Thames 0491 576868				
Intl Growth	275.7	295.9	..	0.74
Income	188.6	202.2	-0.9	4.36
Worldwide Rec	151.3	162.4	..	1.34
Amer Growth	70.5	75.4	-0.4	0.71
Intl Emerg Co's	81.6	87.5	+0.1	0.57
Far East Grwth	78.8	84.8	+0.1	0.85
European Gth	61.3	65.8	..	1.41
PROLIFIC UNIT TRUSTS 222, Bishopsgate, London EC2 01-247 7544/7				
International	117.7	126.2	..	0.93
High Income	61.0	65.6a	..	4.41
Conv & Gilt	96.6	103.9●	..	5.91
Far Eastern	192.6	206.5	..	0.00
North American	131.5	141.4	..	1.10
Special Sits	69.1	74.4a	..	1.85
Technology	110.8	119.2	..	0.10
Extra Income	87.2	93.8	..	4.78
PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 51-59, Ilford Hill, Ilford Essex, IG1 2DL 01-478 3377				
Holborn Equity	395.7	420.8	-1.4	3.28
European	102.0	108.5	+1.0	0.56
Holborn Comms	52.6	55.9●	+0.2	0.84
Holborn High Inc	65.8	70.0	+0.2	6.31
Holborn Intl	101.6	108.0●	..	0.80
Japanese	106.0	112.7c	+1.0	0.05
N American	75.4	80.2	-0.3	0.85
Holborn Spec Sits	64.3	68.4●	-0.2	2.07
Holborn UK Growth	80.8	85.9●	-0.2	2.18
Holborn Gilt Trust	190.7	201.3	+1.9	2.45
QUILTER MANAGEMENT COMPANY 31-45 Gresham St, London EC2V 7LH 01-600 4177				
Quadrant General	430.1	457.8	..	2.86
Quadrant Income	235.3	250.4	..	5.33
Quadrant Intl Fd	388.4	408.9	..	1.09
Quadrant Recovery	256.2	272.6	..	2.36
NM ROTHSCHILD ASSET MANAGEMENT St Swithins Lane, London EC4P 4DU 01-280 5456				
NC America Inc	284.2	302.3●	-1.3	1.23
Do Accum	308.9	328.6●	-1.4	1.23
NC Energy Res	131.8	140.2	-0.2	2.81
NC Income	87.7	93.2	-0.2	3.82
NC Japan	199.9	212.8	+2.8	0.01
NC Smaller Cos	140.4	149.3	+0.1	1.56
NC Smllr Europ Co's	188.3	200.3	+1.1	0.32
NC Exempt Gilt	£129.0	134.0	..	8.53
NC Amer Prop	£11.57	12.18	..	..
NC Property	185.5	196.9	..	..
ROWAN UNIT TRUST 33 King William Street, London EC4R 9AS 01-626 5678				
American (4)	223.0	237.0	..	1.64
Securities (2)	718.0	731.0●	..	2.45
High Yield (6)	165.5	173.0	..	6.50
Merlin (3)	404.0	412.0●	+8.0	1.51
Fixed Interest	173.0	174.0	+1.0	2.39
High Interest	124.0	125.0	+1.0	12.27
Far East (6)	248.0	261.5	..	0.18
ROYAL LIFE FUND MANAGEMENT New Hall Place, Liverpool L69 3HS 051-227 4422				
Equity Trust	61.3	65.3	-0.2	2.81
Intl Trust	74.0	78.7●	-0.6	1.33
Gilt Trust	26.9	28.3	+0.2	9.12
US Trust	32.5	34.6	-0.1	1.81
Pacific Basin Tst	44.5	47.4	+0.1	0.28
20 Clifton St, London EC2 01-920 0311				
Equity Dist	116.0	123.5	-0.1	1.81
Do Accum	163.1	173.6	-0.1	1.81
High Income Trust	88.6	94.4	..	4.48
Do Accum	105.8	112.4	+0.1	4.48
US Growth	57.1	60.8	-0.5	0.86
Do Accum	57.8	61.1	-0.7	0.86
ROYAL LONDON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Royal London House, Colchester CO1 1RA 0206 576115				
American Growth	86.7	94.4●	-0.8	0.80
Capital Accum	173.1	184.0	-0.9	2.15
Gilt Income	53.5	55.5●	+0.4	8.87
High Income	79.5	84.5●	-1.4	4.94
Income & Growth	98.4	105.0●	-0.4	4.36
Japan Growth	101.2	107.7	+1.3	0.04
Special Sits	106.5	113.4	-0.4	1.36
SAVE & PROSPER 28, Western Rd, Romford RM1 3LB 68-73, Queen St, Edinburgh EH2 4NX (Romford) 0708-66966 Or (Edin) 031-226 7351				
Amer Inc & Growth	69.5	73.5	-0.1	5.46
Capital Units	102.2	108.5	-0.1	3.04
Commodity	45.3	48.4	-0.1	1.39
Energy Inds	45.6	48.8	-0.3	4.13
European Growth	111.7	119.4	+0.9	0.48
Exempt Inc Bnd	78.5	83.7●	-0.2	5.27
Do Intl (43)	81.1	84.4	..	2.23
Exploration	39.1	41.9	-0.6	0.00
Financial Secs	100.3	107.2	..	3.01
Gilt & FI Inc	54.7	57.8	+0.3	10.71
High Return Units	179.9	192.4	-0.3	5.07
High Yield Units	165.9	175.2	-0.2	4.37
Income Units	80.1	85.3●	-0.1	5.89
Investment Trust	86.8	92.6	+0.2	2.63
International	118.9	126.4	..	3.18
Japan Growth	105.5	113.9	+1.5	..
Japan Smaller Cos	129.0	137.9	+0.2	..
Masterfund	29.9	31.9	..	2.97
New Technology	89.7	95.9	-0.1	..
SE Asia Growth	100.9	107.9	-0.4	2.76
Scotbits	130.3	139.6●	+0.7	2.81
Scotshares	152.0	162.5	-0.3	3.95
Scotyields	152.0	162.5	-0.4	4.37
Select International	80.1	85.6	..	1.59
Smaller Co's Inc	169.6	179.6	+0.4	4.28
Smaller Situations	91.1	97.4	-0.3	2.02
UK Equity	176.4	188.6●	-0.3	2.93
US Growth	72.6	77.6	-0.7	1.83
Universal Growth	90.5	96.7	..	1.28
SCHRODER UNIT TRUST Enterprise House, Portsmouth 0705 827733				
American Inc	129.5	138.4	-1.5	0.64
Do Accum	132.5	141.7	-1.6	0.64
Australian Inc	57.2	61.4●	-3.1	1.97
Do Accum	62.1	66.7●	-3.4	1.97
European Inc	121.5	129.9	+0.3	0.68
Do Accum	124.8	133.4	+0.3	0.68
Gilt & Fixed Inc	34.9	37.9●	+0.3	8.40
Do Accum	84.4	88.0●	+0.4	8.48
Gold Fund Inc	29.9	31.9	..	2.07
Do Accum	31.2	33.3	-0.1	2.07
Income	173.3	184.2●	-0.4	4.89
Do Accum	384.4	411.1●	-8.9	4.89
Intl Income	116.6	124.7	+1.1	0.45
Do Accum	161.0	172.1	+1.4	0.45
Jap Smllr Co's Ac	146.3	156.4	-0.6	0.00
Singapore & Malay	34.3	38.0	-0.2	0.95
Do Accum	58.2	62.1	-0.3	0.95
Smaller Co's Inc	129.2	138.1	+0.2	1.16
Do Accum	135.5	148.0	+0.3	1.16
Special Sits Inc	104.2	111.4	+0.7	0.97
Do Accum	107.9	115.4	+0.8	0.97
Tokyo Fund Inc	239.9	256.5	+2.7	0.21
Do Accum	242.5	259.3	+2.7	0.21
US Smaller Co's Ac	53.3	56.9	-0.5	0.00
UK Equity Inc	100.6	107.6●	-0.2	3.56
Do Accum	158.8	167.4●	-0.2	3.56
Recovery	78.7	82.0●	..	2.63
Pensions & Charity	583.7	602.8●	-18.6	3.19
Extra Income	59.1	63.2●	..	7.10
Far East Gth Accum	58.1	59.9	+0.2	0.50
Extra Inc	62.3	66.6●	..	7.10
O'seas Smlr Co	30.1	33.5	+0.3	0.40
SCIMITAR ASSET MANAGEMENT 33-36 Gracechurch St London EC3V 0AX 01-623 5776/8711				
UK Equity Inc	23.9	25.4●	..	5.19
Do Acc	24.1	25.6	..	5.21
Euro Tst Inc	27.3	29.0●	..	1.00
Do Acc	27.3	29.0●	..	1.00
Global Gth Inc	29.4	31.3	..	1.00
Do Acc	29.5	31.4	..	1.00
Managed Exempt	118.6	124.6	..	4.00
SCOTTISH EQUITABLE 28, St Andrews Sq, Edinburgh 031-556 9101				
Intl Income Units	150.3	159.9	..	3.24
Do Accum	223.3	237.6	..	3.24
SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS 19, St Andrews Sq, Edinburgh 031 225 2211				
UK Equity	182.2	194.9	-0.5	1.80
American	147.6	159.7	-0.7	1.29
Pacific	195.9	208.6	+1.0	0.05
European	244.7	261.8	+2.6	0.55
SCOTTISH MUTUAL INVESTMENT MANAGERS 109, Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5HN 041-248 6100				
UK Equity	168.9	177.6	-0.3	2.69
Gilt & Fixed	119.1	125.8	+1.0	8.05
UK Smllr Co's Eq	148.6	158.0	-0.1	2.40
European	187.1	200.4	+2.6	1.00
N American	112.4	119.5	-0.8	1.34
Pacific	188.7	200.8	+1.3	0.58
SCOTTISH UNIT TRUST 29, Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh 031-226 4372				
Pacific	71.4	76.4	+0.6	0.30
World Growth	37.8	40.5	..	1.01
N American	34.0	36.4	-0.4	0.16
Income Fund	44.4	47.5●	..	4.84
European	44.5	47.6	+0.7	0.83
N Amer Inc	26.1	28.0	-0.1	2.59
UK Growth	30.8	33.1	-0.1	1.58
Extra Inc	31.6	33.7	-0.1	5.37
SCOTTISH WIDOWS PO Box 902, Edinburgh EH16 5BU 031-655 6000				
Peg Eq Inc	231.2	248.0	-0.8	2.86
Do Accum	268.1	283.2	-1.1	2.86
SENTINEL FUNDS MANAGEMENT 30, City Rd, London EC1Y 2AY 01-638 6011				
Amer Tech & Gen	101.5	108.6	-0.8	0.24
Pacific	201.8	215.9	+2.7	0.00
Sec Income Fnd	168.5	180.2●	-0.2	4.15
Special Situations	204.0	218.3	-2.6	1.49
Intl Growth	33.0	35.1	+0.7	0.18
American Majors	72.2	77.3	..	0.81
Small Co's	39.2	41.9	..	1.67
Japan Tech & Gen	117.8	126.0	+0.8	0.00
International Income	58.5	60.5●	+0.5	5.04
Exempt	536.2	573.7	..	2.25
UK General	33.3	35.6	-0.4	1.61
Euro Growth	35.3	37.8	+1.0	0.52
Euro Income	42.1	45.1●	+0.8	4.60
SIMON & COATES 1, London Wall Bldgs, London EC2M 5PT 01-588 3644 Ext 387				
Special Sits (5)	48.7	52.8	..	8.75
STANDARD LIFE 3, George St, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ 031 225 2552				
Income Units	25.6	27.0	-0.1	3.57
Do Accum Units	27.3	28.8	-0.2	3.57
STEWART, IVORY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 45, Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh 031-226 3271				
American Fund	226.6	241.4	-1.8	2.32
Do Accum	254.4	271.0	-2.0	2.32
Do Withdrawal	159.0	169.4	-1.3	2.32
Australian Fund	99.1	105.5	-0.8	1.39
Do Accum	100.7	107.3	-0.8	1.39
British Fund	607.7	647.5	+1.5	4.32
Do Accum	818.5	871.9	+2.2	4.32
European Fund	308.6	328.7	+4.5	0.80
Do Accum	329.9	348.1	+4.7	0.80
Japan Fund	357.9	381.3	+6.1	0.00
Do Accum	358.6	382.1	+6.1	0.00
Sands PPP	168.5	179.3	..	..
SUN ALLIANCE Sun Alliance Hse, Horsham, Sussex 0403 56293				
Equity Trust Acc	386.6	411.2	-1.7	2.59
N Am Trust Acc	59.4	63.1	-0.3	1.19
Far East Trust Acc	81.4	87.2	+0.6	0.92
Worldwide Bond	50.1	53.3	..	9.84
TSB UNIT TRUSTS LTD Keens House, Andover, Hants SP10 1PG 0264 56789 Dealings 0264 63432/3/4				
American Inc	116.9	123.3●	-0.9	1.11
Do Accum	121.6	129.7●	-0.9	1.11
Extra Income Inc	112.6	119.8●	-0.1	5.39
Do Accum	135.0	143.7●	-0.1	5.39
General Unit Inc	158.6	168.7●	-0.5	2.81
Do Accum	258.1	274.6●	-0.7	2.81
Gilt & Fixed Inc	59.4	62.6●	+0.5	8.25
Do Accum	65.8	69.6●	+0.6	8.25
Income	213.6	227.3	-0.5	4.46
Accum	333.2	354.2	-1.0	4.46
Pacific Inc	175.9	187.2	+0.7	0.29
Do Accum	181.7	193.4	+0.9	0.29
Intl Inc	333.1	354.4	+1.7	1.22
Do Accum	411.4	437.7	+1.7	1.22
Selected Opps Inc	63.6	67.7	-0.1	1.74
Do Accum	69.7	74.3	..	1.74
Natural Res	45.6	48.5	-0.8	2.06
Do Accum	44.7	47.6	-0.8	2.06
TARGET TRUST MANAGERS Target House, Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury Bucks 0296 5941				
Amer Eagle	73.9	78.6	-0.2	0.09
Australian	16.0	17.0	-0.3	0.10
Commodity	68.8	73.2	-0.2	1.22
Energy	30.0	32.0●	-0.1	2.22
Equity	128.9	132.8	..	3.47
European Spec Sits	105.9	112.4	+0.2	1.04
Extra Income	111.8	120.4●	-0.4	6.06
Financial	281.9	295.5	-2.8	1.98
Gilt Income	106.4	111.2●	-0.9	2.17
Gold Income	54.2	57.7	-2.4	0.66
Do Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Income	81.8	85.8	..	4.75
Japan	114.8	121.9●	+2.0	[illegible]
Malay & Singapore	22.9	24.6	..	1.30
Pacific Inc	100.5	108.6●	-1.7	0.29
Do Reinvest	123.7	131.6●	+2.0	0.29
Pref Share Fd	17.5	18.8●	..	13.09
UK Capital	69.8	74.6●	-0.2	1.47
Special Sits	83.5	88.7●	-0.5	0.51
Technology	44.9	47.8	-0.3	0.70
World Income	57.8	61.5●	+0.2	3.82
Worldwide Capital	145.1	155.5●	+0.1	1.48
Equity Ex (3)	78.5	83.1	..	2.09
Do Accum (3)	149.6	160.0	..	2.09
THORNTON UNIT MANAGERS LTD Park House 16 Finsbury Circus London EC2M 7DJ 01-638 4761				
Far East & Gen	57.4	61.0	+0.3	0.02
Japan & Gen	55.4	58.9	+0.1	0.08
Nth Amer & Gen	49.9	53.0	-0.6	0.95
Pacific Tech	53.5	57.0	-0.3	0.08
Tiger	58.1	61.8	+0.1	2.81
UK & Gen	44.9	47.7	-0.2	2.08
3i UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 2, St Mary Axe, London EC3A 8BP 01 928-3356				
Smaller Co's	63.7	67.7	+0.8	0.69
TOUCHE REMNANT Mermaid House, 2, Puddle Dock, London EC4V 3AT 01-248 1250				
American Growth	41.4	44.1	-0.2	0.85
General Growth	51.6	55.1●	..	2.00
Global Tech	43.0	46.0	-0.7	0.18
Income Growth	60.1	64.0●	..	4.38
Income Monthly	47.8	51.1●	..	6.23
Japan Growth	53.2	56.6	..	0.12
Man Equity Inc	24.6	26.2	..	2.36
Do Accum	24.6	26.2	..	2.36
O'seas Growth	50.0	53.7	..	0.56
Smaller Cos	62.5	66.5	+0.2	1.96
Special Opps	73.2	77.9●	+0.2	1.50
TYNDALL MANAGERS 18, Canynge Rd, Bristol 0272 732241				
Australian	52.7	56.4	-2.6	1.63
Do Acc	54.9	58.7	-2.7	1.63
Capital	311.0	331.2●	-0.9	3.28
Do Accum	557.4	593.6●	-1.5	3.28
Exempt	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.4	5.71
Do Accum	664.7	707.9●	-1.0	5.71
Far Eastern	172.9	184.9c	+0.5	0.27
Do Accum	186.5	199.5c	+0.5	0.27
Fin & Prop	52.9	55.3●	+0.1	3.34
Do Accum	83.5	88.7●	+0.1	3.34
Gilt Capital	125.9	130.0	+0.7	6.34
Do Accum	145.9	150.6	+0.8	6.34
Gilt Income	110.8	114.0	+2.1	9.37
Do Accum	180.1	185.3	+3.4	9.37
High Yield	53.5	57.0	-0.1	6.20
Do Accum	117.2	124.8	-0.1	6.20
Income	233.6	249.0	-0.8	5.11
Do Accum	722.1	769.0	-2.6	5.11
Intl Earnings	158.1	168.4	-0.2	2.86
UK PROVIDENT UT MANAGERS UK House, Castle St, Salisbury SP1 3SH 0722 336242				
UK Equity	112.3	119.3●	-0.6	..
Pacific Basin	179.1	190.3●	+3.3	..
N Amer	114.8	122.0●	-1.5	..
VANGUARD TRUST 65 Holborn Viaduct EC1A 2EU General Enquires 01-236 3053 Dealing Line 01-236 2468				
Growth Inc	187.5	199.8c	+0.1	2.52
Do Accum	272.9	290.4c	+0.3	2.52
High Yield	205.1	219.3●	-0.6	5.00
Do Accum	210.7	224.2	-0.6	5.00
Special Sits	41.7	44.4●	-0.1	2.22
Do Accum	42.0	44.7	-0.1	2.22
Trustee	134.7	143.3	-0.6	4.02
Do Accum	205.3	218.5	-0.8	4.02
Amer & Gen	61.1	65.0	-0.6	1.39
Do Accum	61.1	65.0	-0.6	1.39
Master Portfolio	£61.74	63.32●	-0.05	2.97
Do Accum	£61.29	63.36	-0.05	2.97
Abing Rdin Ass (5)	112.9	120.2●		2.40
Do Accum	112.9	120.2		2.40
Far East & Gen Inc	52.9	56.3	+1.2	0.62
Do Accum	52.9	56.2	+1.2	0.62
WARDLEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Wardley House, 7, Devonshire Sq, London EC2 01-929 1532				
American Trust	64.9	69.6	-0.5	1.70
Far East & Gen	113.0	120.2●	+1.0	0.50
Intl Growth	74.2	79.0	+0.3	0.50
Income Trust	85.8	90.1		5.60
Japan Growth	141.8	152.5	+1.7	0.10
Small Companies	109.5	117.8	-0.8	2.00
Technology	33.9	36.4		0.30
Australia	38.3	41.2	-0.5	1.90
UK Trust	129.9	138.3	+0.2	2.80
European Growth	56.5	60.2●	-0.1	0.30
Hong Kong	23.6	25.2	-0.1	1.40
WAVERLEY ASSET MANAGEMENT 13, Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh 031-225 1551				
Australian Gold	17.8	19.0	-0.9	0.15
Pacific Basin	14.3	14.6		0.20
Canadian Bal Gth	56.8	59.4		0.97
Gmnie Mae Fnd	102.7	107.0	+0.5	7.1
WHITTINGDALE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 2 Honey La EC2 8BT 01-606 9085/6				
Sht Dtd Gilt Fund	57.9	60.0	+0.1	0.00
US Govt Bond Fd	$51.0	51.3	-0.1	
WINDSOR TRUST MANAGERS LTD Windsor House, 83, Kingsway, London WC2B 6SD 01-405 8331				
Conv & Equity	48.1	51.2		7.74
Income	32.9	34.7●	-0.1	5.20
Growth	50.5	53.8	-0.1	2.23

The prices in this section refer to Wednesday's trading

● Ex dividend. c Cum dividend. k Cum stock split. s Ex stock split. m Cum all (any two or more of above). a Ex all (any two or more of above). Dealing or valuation days: (1) Monday (2) Tuesday. (3) Wednesday. (4) Thursday (5) Friday. (20) 25th of month. (21) 2nd Thursday of month. (22) 1st and 3rd Wednesday of month. (23) 20th of month. (24) 3rd Tuesday of month. (25) 1st and 3rd Thursday of month. (26) 4th Tuesday of month. (27) 1st Wednesday of month. (28) Last Thursday of month. (29) 3rd working day of month. (30) 16th of month. (31) 1st working day of month. (32) 20th of month. (33) 1st day of February, May, August, November. (34) Last working day of month. (35) 15th of month. (36) 14th of month. (37) 21st of month. (38) 3rd Wednesday of month. (39) 2nd Wednesday of month (40) Valued monthly. (41) Last Thursday of Stock Exchange account. (42) Last day of month. (43) 2nd and 4th Wednesday of month. (44) Quarterly. (45) 6th of month. (46) 2nd Tuesday of month.

UNLISTED SECURITIES

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
16	8½	A & M Gp	11	●-½	0.6	5.5	15.7
60	48	ATA Selection	58	..	2.1	3.6	15.6
130	93	Abbeycrest	120	..	3.6	3.0	17.1
69	33	Aberdeen Stk Hse	38	+3	3.1	8.2	10.8
108	32	Acorn Comp	48	+8	..	..	3.4
275	183	Air Call	215	-1	3.6	1.2	68.6
123	108	Airspring	108	..	7.7	7.1	..
297	204	Alida	278	+6	9.3	3.4	16.6
152	152	Angla Securities	152	..	2.3	1.5	21.1
121	100	Antler	100	-2	..	..	..
158	131	Appletree	153	●..	2.9	1.9	14.7
290	215	App Holographics	245	..	..	..	..
250	185	Do Wrnts	205	..	..	..	..
395	163	Aspen Comms	325	●..	4.4	1.4	33.9
180	131	Aspinall	136	●..	8.6	6.3	7.3
620	443	Asprey	568	●..	14.3	2.5	16.9
40	16	Assoc Energy	36	..	..	..	8.7
232	180	ASD	188	..	11.4	6.1	8.1
122	122	Atlas Equipment	122	..	7.0	5.7	11.1
95	61	Automagic	66	..	5.6	8.5	13.1
70	69	BBB Design	70	..	1.4	2.0	16.6
228	185	BPP	200	..	7.1	3.6	16.3
85	68	BTS Grp	85	●..	5.7	6.7	9.1
123	58	Bedford (William)	73	+3	6.4	8.8	8.8
27½	12	Bennett & Fountain	25	-½	0.6	2.4	26.9
58	31	Bensons Crisps	40	..	..	..	11.2
13½	7½	Berkeley & Hay	14½	..	..	..	25.0
91	31	Berkeley Exp	31	..	..	..	4.3
230	139	Berkeley Gp	221	+3	3.0	1.4	24.3
30	14	Bio Isolates	14	..	..	..	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	22	..	..	..	..
43½	41½	Bipol	42½	..	1.8	4.2	10.8
135	88	Blanchards	118	..	6.4b	5.4	16.5
230	165	Bluebird Toys	218	..	5.0	2.3	16.9
144	138	Borland	143	..	..	..	..
27	19	Brewmaker	20	..	1.1	5.5	10.6
210	95	Brikat	100	..	8.0	8.0	7.0
300	125	Brint	195	-5	..	..	..
130	75	Britannia Sec	112	..	2.1b	1.9	18.2
250	185	Br Bloodstock	185	●..	12.6	6.8	8.7
59	50	Br Island	53	+1	4.0	7.5	9.6
358	178	Brookmount	323	●+25	5.0	1.5	17.6
163	115	Brown (Charles)	150	+2	3.6	2.4	22.0
345	230	Bryant (Derek)	293	..	11.6	4.0	10.4
5	2½	Bula Resources	3	..	..	..	..
92	73	CCA Galleries	75	..	3.4	4.5	11.1
180	126	CML Micro	160	..	2.6	1.6	16.4
39	5¼	CPS Comp	5¼	..	1.4	24.3	3.0
42	27	CPU Comp	27	..	..●	..	4.3
[illegible]	130	CVD	[illegible]	..	..	..	..
320	85	[illegible]	90	+5	..	..	..
85	62	Camotech	65	..	2.9	4.5	13.3
140	86	Cannon Street Inv	[illegible]	+3	3.6	2.7	18.6
350	213	Central TV	[illegible]	+5	17.9	5.4	12.9
120	64	Chancery Secs	106	+1	3.1	2.9	12.8
114	83	Checkpoint Europe	114	+1	..	..	..
128	125	Chelsea Man	128	+1	3.1	2.4	21.0
18	7	Chem Methods	7	..	3.0	42.9	..
253	120	[illegible]	238	-2	5.2	2.2	25.3
17	8	Cifer	11	..	..●	..	1.5
40	31	Cityvision	34	-1	..	..	..
603	540	Cityvision 7%	540	..	..	..	..
115	70	Circaprint	72	..	1.5	2.1	8.3
164	152	Clarke Hooper	164	..	3.3	2.0	22.8
23½	11	Clogau Gold	20	..	..	..	..
40	26	Cluff Oil Hldgs	32	..	..	..	..
92	87	Coated Electrodes	92	+4	5.6	6.1	10.7
95	33	Cobra Emerald	62	..	..	..	..
124	111	[illegible]	124	..	3.9	3.1	13.8
106	50	Colorgen Inc	50	..	..	..	..
175	110	Comp Financial	155	..	3.1	2.0	28.5
50	30	Compsoft	48	..	..	..	8.0
118	74	Consultants	104	-2	1.8	1.7	20.2
60	38	Cons Tern Invs	40	..	7.1a	17.8	[illegible]
343	208	Conti Microwave	250	..	5.7	2.3	14.8
108	85	Cowells	93	..	3.7	4.0	12.9
143	115	CPM	116	..	2.5	2.2	17.2
415	306	Cramphorn	[illegible]	..	7.4	2.2	23.4
78	50	Cranbrook	50	..	0.7e	1.4	13.2
114	96	Cranswick	[illegible]	..	7.6	7.2	9.2
138	75	Craton Lodge	80	..	2.8	3.5	16.9
103	63	Crown Intl	63	●..	6.0	9.5	12.5
97	75	Crusis	80	..	1.0	1.3	13.0
73	43	DBE Tech	48	..	..	..	26.8
178	116	DDT	160	..	1.7	1.1	13.8
140	78	DJ Sec Alarms	103	●-7	2.1	2.0	9.4
91	63	Datron	68	..	1.4	2.1	9.8
216	165	Davies (DY)	198	-1	4.9	2.5	21.1
83	55	Dean & Bowes	82	..	3.6	4.4	20.0
29	20	De Brett (Andre)	25	..	0.4	1.6	14.6
145	134	Deltor	144	+2	..	..	..
57	40	Delmar	48	..	2.9	6.0	9.5
139	105	Dencora	138	..	2.9	2.1	19.1
115	75	Denmans Elec	75	..	5.4	7.2	5.7
186	68	Dewey Warren	76	+3	10.7	14.1	5.1
228	130	Dialene	155	..	7.0	3.6	16.4
460	345	Druck	420	..	5.5	1.3	28.1
24	18	Dunton	20	-½	0.3	1.5	15.4
52	39	Eadie	44	+1	2.5	5.7	13.6
148	102	Ealing Elect Optics	130	..	3.1	2.4	22.6
31	9	Ecobric	29	+2	0.4	1.4	21.5
325	245	Edin Fund	245	..	8.8	3.6	14.6
43	22	Edm Secs	25	..	..●	..	62.5
379	244	Eldridge Pope 'A'	[illegible]	..	9.8	2.6	17.2
148	115	Electron House	118	-2	4.6	3.9	18.7
100	61	Electronic Data P	93	..	2.3	2.5	13.6
33	25	Ennex	25	..	..	..	..
15	7	Entertainment Prod	8	..	1.4	17.5	3.6
215	140	Equipu	147	●..	7.1	4.8	10.9
250	138	FII	245	..	..	..	..
248	151	FKB Gp	228	●..	3.6	1.6	24.4
142	136	F & H Group	142	..	..	..	..
90	55	Feedback	55	..	3.9	7.1	19.8
42	15	Fergebrook	29½	-½	1.7	5.8	2.4
133	123	Fields (Mrs)	130	..	..	..	..
73	73	Fletcher Dennys	73	-3	3.6	4.9	17.0
60	31	Flextech	50	..	..	..	6.9
208	180	Flogas	202	..	256	..	..
60	38	Floyd Oil	44	..	..	..	18.0
90	80	Ford & Weston	87	..	4.3	4.9	11.2
220	145	French Conn	165	-6	7.5	4.5	10.6
103	66	Freshbake	94	●..	0.7	3.9	15.7
665	420	Fuller Smith 'A'	[illegible]	..	11.7	1.8	17.2
148	84	Gabbicci	144	..	4.1	2.8	20.4
180	93	Gee (Cecil)	98	..	3.7	4.0	..
47	33	Gee/Rosen	40	..	2.4	6.0	12.1
88	72	Gibbon Lyons	78	●..	5.0	6.4	14.4
165	100	Gibbs Mew	150	●..	8.1	5.4	16.4
17	11	Gilbert House	16	..	..	..	60.0
60	32	Global Gp	43	..	3.2	7.4	10.5
166	85	Godwin Warren	121	..	3.1	2.6	17.2
134	98	Goodhead Print	120	..	4.3	3.6	18.0
128	99	Gould (Laurence)	107	..	5.3	5.0	8.8
91	38	Granyte Surface	60	..	3.0	5.0	10.5
165	115	Green (Ernest)	125	+6	4.8	3.9	13.8
86	19	Greenwich Cable	32	..	..	..	..
115	81½	Grosvenor Sq	93	●+3	6.8	6.8	7.8
160	160	Guernsey Atlantic	160	..	3.5	1.9	52.9
92	58	Hampden Homecare	71	..	2.1	3.0	11.4
48	38	Hartons	45	..	1.8	4.0	13.8
210	133	Harvey & Thomp	180	..	6.1b	3.4	22.4
255	195	Havelock Europa	233	●..	5.7	2.4	21.4
46	26	Health Care	41	●..	1.1	2.7	18.9
440	383½	Heavitree	440	+10	12.3	2.8	17.8
390	283½	Do 'A' LV	390	..	12.3	3.2	15.3
145	143½	Henderson Prime	145	+½	..	..	..
415	195	High-Point	200	..	6.1	3.1	18.7
205	50	Highland Part	65	..	..	..	..
96	80	Hills Ergonom	83	..	2.9	3.1	14.9
30½	7	Hobson	29½	r+1	..	..	..
113	105	Hodgson	107	+2	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
133	105	Holden Hydroman	125	..	4.5	3.7	16.0
159	115	Holmes Protection	[illegible]	+1	..	..	..
340	200	Howard Group	335	..	6.0	1.8	20.3
24	22½	Hughes Food	22	-½	0.7	3.0	16.5
14	6½	Humbrsd Elec	8½	..	0.4	4.7	8.5
166	115	Hunter Saphir	153	..	3.6	2.4	18.9
255	186	Huntleigh Tech	230	..	2.1	0.9	27.7
230	165	INSTEM	175	..	3.2	1.8	19.0
31	18	Imtec	17	..	3.0	17.6	2.1
115	44	Ind Scot Energy	90	..	..	..	..
103	68	InfraRed	83	..	..	..	10.8
353	190	Intereurope Tech	200	..	7.9	4.0	9.7
32	25	Israel (Jack L)	26	●-½	0.7	2.7	20.2
350	233	JS Pathology	345	-5	3.5	1.0	31.6
190	116	Jaques Vert	170	..	7.9	4.6	15.0
26	2	Jebsens	9	..	..	..	0.3
148	105	Johnson & Jorg	123	..	5.9	4.8	14.0
120	73	Johnstones Paints	120	●+2	6.1b	5.1	13.3
70	48	Just Rubber	58	..	2.5	4.3	9.8
330	253	KLP	305	..	4.7	1.5	17.2
90	67	Kent (John)	79	..	2.3	2.9	17.2
300	220	Kenyon Secs	260	●..	14.8	5.3	12.2
83	55	Kewill Systems	73	●..	1.7	2.3	10.7
113	67½	Klark-Teknik	73	..	1.4b	1.9	13.8
113	87	LPA Ind	80	..	3.8	4.5	7.8
63	37	Laidlaw	63	..	4.0	6.3	7.8
125	70	Laidlaw Thomson	108	..	5.4	5.0	13.0
43	32	Leisure Inv	41½	-½	..	..	20.6
118	100	Lewmar	108	●..	3.8	3.6	13.1
91	73	Lodge Care	73	..	2.9	4.0	15.2
140	95	Lon & Clydesdale	115	..	8.0	7.0	10.4
198	133	Lorin Elect	190	+2	3.6	1.9	16.7
62	17	Lysander Pet	23	..	..	..	..
84	77	M6 Cash & Carry	80	-2	..	..	..
250	160	MMT Comp	250	+10	6.6	2.6	21.0
160	101	McLaughlin & Har	113	..	10.0	8.8	6.5
125	55	Magnetic Materials	55	..	4.0	7.3	5.9
84	54	Manmet	84	●..	1.4	1.7	23.9
98	90	Marina Dev	98	+2	..	..	..
176	92	Martin (Ronald)	160	..	4.7	2.9	21.5
35	8	Maxiprint	19	..	..	..	..
116	101	Mayfair City	103	●..	4.3	4.2	21.8
135	93	Mayhews Foods	126	..	1.1	0.9	17.1
263	195	Meadow Farm	260	r+10	5.4	2.1	28.7
220	136	Media Tech	138	..	5.3	3.8	11.4
98	75	Mellerware	93	..	4.3	4.6	22.1
19	3	Memory Comp	13	..	232	..	2.1
75	21	Mentom Intl Hldgs	25	..	5.0	20.0	1.7
148	140	Menvier-Swain	145	●..	3.6	2.5	14.8
350	350	Merrydown Wine	360	..	8.6	2.4	19.4
138	95	Metal Bulletin	120	..	6.3	5.3	16.9
102	71	Metsec	92	..	3.5	3.8	13.5
95	59	Michael (John)	75	..	1.7	2.3	18.2
760	360	Microfilm	660	+10	2.9	0.4	69.7
220	118	Microlease	120	..	5.7	4.8	9.8
47	22	Microvitec	40	-1	1.8	4.5	17.5
183	82	Midland Marts	173	..	6.7	3.9	79.4
385	231	Midsummer Inns	375	..	3.6	1.0	27.9
193	165	Millward Brown	180	..	3.6	2.0	89.2
220	130	Miss World	175	..	7.9	4.5	9.2
47	13	Mnemos	13	..	..	..	..
158	105	Moorgate Gp	135	..	2.0	1.5	25.0
134	62	Morris & Crane	120	..	3.9	3.3	16.0
158	145	Monotype	145	..	..	..	..
50	25	Morley (RH)	50	..	2.1	4.2	24.9
23½	15	Morris (William)	22½	-½	..	..	9.0
119	63	Moss Advertising	65	..	3.5	5.4	7.8
175	126	Musterlin	175	..	4.3	2.5	16.2
387	257	NMW Comp	300	..	8.6	2.9	16.3
31	13	New Ct Nat Res	14	-2	2.4	17.1	3.7
3	1	Do Wrnts	3	..	..	..	..
20	14	New England Props	15	..	..	..	7.2
95	75	Do 10%	[illegible]	..	0	11.8	..
21	10	Nimslo	11	..	..	..	..
144	91	Norank	140	-2	4.3	3.1	18.2
190	53	Norbain	63	●+5	1.0	1.6	6.8
135	83	Norscot Hotels	115	..	3.4	3.0	12.9
46	14	Nth Sea & Gen	22	-2	..	..	4.4
75	35	Oakfield Inspec	35	..	2.9	8.3	5.2
34	27	Omnitech	27	-5	..	..	..
37	22	Optometrics	26	..	..	..	..
283	180	Osborne & Little	271	..	4.3	1.6	25.6
35	23	Owners Abroad	33½	..	2.1	6.3	9.5
143	85	PCT	113	●..	4.6	4.1	12.9
255	168	Pacer Systems	200	-5	..	..	..
78	56	Pacific Sales	62	..	4.3	6.8	8.2
168	130	Pantherella	[illegible]	..	6.3	3.4	14.2
380	208	Parkfield Gp	[illegible]	●..	5.1	1.0	27.0
80	10	[illegible]	[illegible]	..	..●	..	25.6
60	27	Pavion	37	-1	..	..	4.8
165	80	Pepe Group	[illegible]	●+3	4.7	3.0	14.9
149	95	Pericom	140	..	3.3b	2.4	65.7
38	25	Perkins (J)	[illegible]	..	1.7	6.1	6.6
		Personal Computer		..	4.3	..	..
200	125	Peters (Michael)	143	..	3.7	2.6	17.8
27	14	Petrogen	18	..	..	..	..
34	29½	Piccadilly Radio	30½	●..	3.9	9.8	14.8
118	24	Pict Pet	30	+2	..	..	4.7
73	21	Pineapple	25	..	..	..	..
135	88	Plan Invest	118	●..	3.9	3.3	18.6
50	25	Plasmec	43	●..	1.0	2.3	5.3
176	115	Plaxon	151	●..	4.4	2.9	10.9
283	115	Polypipe	153	+6	2.4	1.6	36.1
245	90	Polytech Marine	90	..	5.4	6.0	12.8
156	89	Powerline	90	..	2.8	3.1	11.1
143	110	Prontaprint	110	●..	6.6	3.3	12.6
5¼	2	Property Tst 10p	5¼	..	..	..	..
5¼	2	Do 8p	5¼	..	..	..	..
308	158	Quested	218	●..	8.3	3.9	14.7
43	18	Radio City 'A'	35	+2	..●	..	6.8
48	33	Radio Clyde	48	..	4.6	9.6	15.5
123	85	Radius	101	●..	1.4	1.4	15.2
40	13	Ramco Oil	15	..	1.0	6.7	3.6
105	86	Ramus	88	..	7.5	8.5	14.8
62	22	Randsworth	44	-2	..	..	..
68	40	Real Time Control	65	..	3.9	5.3	16.2
42	15	Reliant Motor	20	..	..	..	17.1
190	70	Rivlin (D&S)	153	..	0.1	0.1	..
87	30	Rockwood	70	..	0.6	0.9	..
88	63	Rolfe & Nolan	88	+6	2.9	3.3	37.9
290	145	Ruddle (G)	283	..	6.6	2.3	22.1
139	112	SAC	[illegible]	..	2.1	1.8	20.0
126	73	Sangers Photo	84	..	3.1	3.7	24.3
48	14	Sapphire Pet	21	+2	..	..	2.8
130	104	Savage	126	..	4.3	3.4	17.5
178	138	Scanro	145	..	5.7	3.9	11.8
195	120	Scot Heritable	158	..	4.3	2.7	13.8
110	71	Securiguard	108	..	3.9	3.6	20.0
26	7	SelecTV	22	-1	..	..	..
350	171	Shandwick	340	+8	5.3	1.6	42.0
355	255½	Share Drug Strs	325	..	2.9	0.9	38.3
93	69½	Sheldon Jones	83	+3	6.6	8.0	6.8
54	22½	Sheraton Sec	47½	+½	1.1	2.3	19.5
230	168	Sherwood Comp	225	..	4.3	1.9	27.1
155	145	Shield	155	+5	2.9	1.9	25.8
101	50	Sigmex	58	..	0.8	1.4	5.4
[illegible]	136	Sims Catering	148	..	5.7	3.9	18.1
220	131	Sinclair (William)	180	..	7.5	4.2	11.2
205	131	Slaters Food	185	..	4.0	2.2	12.5
160	157	Smallbone	157	-3	5.1	3.2	14.7
131	96	Snowdon Bridge	105	..	3.9	3.7	12.3
37	33	Soundtracks	35	..	1.7	4.9	10.4
162	113	Sthn Bus	157	●..	4.3	2.7	9.0
31	11	SW Resources	13	..	..	..	5.2
98	98	Space Planning	98	..	2.6	2.7	16.1
150	80	Spatax Tele	148	..	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
69	48	Specra Auto	58	..	3.6	6.2	9.1
38	20	Spectrum	24	-1	..●	..	2.6
99	87	Spice	94	..	4.0	4.3	14.2
71	55	Splash	65	..	4.7	7.2	10.7
220	85	Stainless Metal	176	+11	6.0	3.4	25.1
70	22	Stanelco	2089	..	..	..	..
103	71	Sterling Pub	102	-1	2.9b	2.8	22.7
38½	17½	Sunleigh Elect	29	..	..	..	59.2
93	58	Sutherland (ET)	63	..	4.8	7.6	19.9
125	108	Swindon Pr Hosp	108	..	..	..	35.0
230	175	Synapse Comp	190	..	2.1	1.1	28.0
235	150	T & S Stores	215	..	4.3	2.0	28.0
200	110	TDS Circuits	170	..	2.9	1.7	7.3
124	114	TMD Advert	118	+2	2.4	2.1	21.1
157½	156½	T-V AM	156½	..	6.4	4.1	..
114	108	Task Force	114	..	2.5	2.2	18.8
164	52	Tay Homes	132	-7	6.6	5.0	19.8
146	98	Tech For Bus	100	-3	7.7	7.7	10.0
365	194	Tech Comp	317	-3	4.6b	1.5	42.7
209	115	Telecomputing	128	..	2.1	1.6	12.2
188	113	Tel Serv Int	115	..	2.9	2.5	37.0
136	70	Thermax	134	+6	1.4	1.0	..
272½	180	Therm Scientific	235	..	3.6	1.5	21.2
88	63	Thorpac	83	●..	3.6	4.3	12.4
56	43	Tinsley (Eliza)	44	●..	4.1	9.3	8.0
144½	113	Tod (W&J)	141	..	4.7	3.3	26.4
50	32	Towngrade Sec	38	..	1.6	4.2	28.7
180	136	Trade Promotion	152	..	5.6	3.7	18.9
470	270	Trencherwood	435	+15	7.6	1.7	20.8
88	65	Triton	70	●..	1.6	2.3	14.9
260	140	Tyne Tees 'A'	240	..	18.8	7.8	6.1
75	43	Utd Ceramic	75	..	5.4	7.2	12.8
545	420	Utd Friendly	543	..	24.5	4.5	..
135	93	Utd Packaging	95	+2	4.9	5.2	4.8
94	81	Usher (Frank)	82	..	6.4	7.8	9.8
100	50	Viewplan	53	..	1.8	3.4	18.1
105	56	Wayne Kerr	80	..	2.1	2.6	8.9
108	75	Webber Electro	93	-2	3.3	3.5	11.4
19	14	Welpac	18½	..	0.4	2.4	11.9
95	68	West Yorkshire	90	●+2	7.9b	8.8	12.2
98	43	Whitworth's Foods	51	..	2.9a	5.7	10.1
185	150	Wickes	173	..	2.9	1.7	21.1
10	4½	Willaire Syst	7½	..	..	..	33.0
27	16½	William (Rex) Hldgs	20	..	1.3	6.5	16.1
480	95	Wingate	460	+10	2.5	0.6	60.2
90	48	Wold	59	..	1.1	1.9	52.7
178	151	Worcester	176	-2	7.9	4.5	18.4
220	165	Wld of Leather	181	..	3.6	2.0	19.5
96	68	Wyko	68	●..	3.7	5.4	10.4
4	4	Xylyx	2004	..	..	..	..
158	118	Yellowhammer	148	●..	2.3	1.5	21.7
38	35	Yelverton	35	..	..	..	..
97	30	York Mount	75	+2	1.9	2.5	33.2
67	25	York & Equity	62	-1	..	..	..
104	60	Do 8%	[illegible]	..	..	..	..
27	18	Zygal Dynamics	26	..	..	..	2.7

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
117	94	Alisa	111	●..	3.6	3.2	21.6
780	655	Alliance	778	+8	31.8	4.1	37.5
149	125	Amer Trust	132	+1	4.4	3.3	36.8
368	285	Ang Amer Sec	364	●+6	8.9	2.5	55.7
120	94	Atlantic Assets	102	..	0.9	0.9	77.9
120	98	Bankers	118	●+1	3.9b	3.3	44.7
254	159	Berry	252	..	1.5b	0.6	..
62½	58	Br Assets	58	●+½	3.0	5.2	32.4
53	31	Br Empire Sec	35	..	0.7	1.9	49.3
448	364	Br Inv	428	..	21.7	5.1	27.3
102	80	Brunner	94	+1	3.3	3.5	43.7
250	139	Crescent Japan	245	-4	0.5	0.2	..
137	108	Derby Inc	158	●..	13.6	8.4	16.3
143	110	Do Cap	132	..	..	..	..
364	314	Drayton Cons	334	+6	14.8	4.4	32.6
190	134	Drayton Far East	183	●..	1.6	0.9	..
772	420	Drayton Japan	767	-8	1.4e	0.2	..
205	178	Dundee Lon	198	..	8.0b	4.0	35.2
177	99	Edin Amer Asset	108	+1	0.9	0.8	82.8
150	119	Edinburgh	148	+6	4.7	3.2	42.9
374	284	Electric Gen	343	●..	6.4	1.9	57.5
158	138	English Intl	158	..	5.5	3.5	44.1
93½	75	English Scot	88	+1	2.0	2.3	59.3
160	119	Ensign	148	..	2.0	1.4	[illegible]
112	85	F & C Alliance	112	..	2.6	2.3	58.9
217	142	F & C Pacific	215	-8	2.1	1.0	89.0
10	8½	First Charlotte	8½	..	0.1	1.2	..
346	267	First Scot Amer	318	+8	14.8	4.6	30.9
120	65	First Un Gen	75	..	8.7	11.6	6.3
556	450	Fleming American	533	+3	8.2	1.5	87.4
193	145	Fleming Claver	185	●+8	7.4	4.5	31.7
345	284	Fleming Enterprise	304	●..	12.9	4.2	33.3
129	84½	Fleming Far East	126	●-1	1.4	1.1	..
140	109	Fleming Fledgling	132	●..	3.5	2.7	51.0
739	480	Fleming Japan	730	..	5.7	0.8	..
181	123	Fleming Mercantile	180	+6	5.1	2.9	41.3
149	123	Fleming Overseas	149	+1	3.9	2.6	65.1
162	140	Fleming Tech	141	●+1	3.3	2.8	60.0
133	107	Fleming Universal	131	s+1	2.9	2.2	63.9
98	68	For Col	98	+1	2.4b	2.5	64.9
109	88	GBC Capital	90	..	..	..	..
225	118	GT Japan	222	-3	2.0b	0.9	..
185	138	General Funds	180	●-5	2.9	1.6	93.8
330	275	General Cons	360	..	17.3b	4.8	36.3
143	115	Glasgow Stock	132	●..	3.4	2.6	53.9
123	97	Globe	117	+1	5.2	4.4	30.1
147	127	Govett Atlantic	140	+1	4.0b	2.9	43.6
232	138	Govett Oriental	226	-4	3.3	1.4	..
237	184	Govett Strategy	237	+3	5.1	2.2	67.3
360	244	Greenfriar	348	●..	2.4	0.7	..
233	215	Gresham House	218	●..	6.8	2.2	33.8
194	158	Hambros	178	..	6.4	3.6	38.5
326	283	Hill (P)	333	+1	18.4	4.8	29.4
800	540	Invest in Success	780	●..	8.2	1.0	..
264	244	Inv Cap	258	●..	8.5	2.6	73.2
185	132	Ivory & Sime	133	+1	6.8	5.1	18.2
63	45	Japan Assets	63	-½	0.1	0.2	..
101	80	Kleinwort Charter	98	+1	3.5	3.6	41.4
132	110	Kleinwort O'seas	127	+1	..	..	..
255	237	Kleinwort Smaller	285	..	..	..	..
233	188	Law Debenture	230	●+1	9.0	3.9	27.9
70	58	Lon Merchant Sec	62	..	2.0	3.2	15.9
71	60½	Lon Trust	64	●..	1.1	1.7	43.9
128	102	Merchants	115	+1	6.1b	5.3	30.3
214	161	Monks	214	..	3.7	1.7	80.6
159	128	Murray Income	156	+1	7.7n	4.9	28.9
167	137	Murray Intl	162	●+1	7.1b	4.4	34.5
328	215	Murray Small	328	●..	3.9	1.2	..
380	318	Murray Venture	378	-2	10.0b	2.6	62.0
440	380	New Court	420	..	21.3	5.1	29.1
68	40	New Darien Oil	56	..	0.9	1.6	89.7
189	155	[illegible]	158	..	5.7	3.0	36.5
64	50½	[illegible]	[illegible]	..	4.8	7.5	18.1
271	185	New Tokyo	269	-3	1.1	0.4	..
358	278	Nth Atlantic Sec	357	-1	4.9	1.5	93.9
81	20	Nth Sea Assets	27	..	0.7	2.6	31.4
392	279	Nthn Amer	392	+8	7.7b	2.0	71.7
201	145	Outwich	198	..	4.9	2.5	80.9
79	66	Pacific Assets	79	..	1.0	1.3	95.2
38	31	Do Wrnts	35	..	..	..	..
42	36	Personal Assets	37	..	0.5	1.4	97.4
405	336	Raeburn	398	+6	17.1	4.3	40.4
171	147	River & Merc	160	●..	8.6b	5.4	29.4
259	216	River Plate	241	●..	12.4	5.1	27.9
272	207	Robeco	272	+1	..	..	..
247	181	Rolinco	247	+1	..	..	..
340	267	Romney	340	●+4	7.1	2.1	92.1
14½	11½	Rorento	£14½	..	..	..	..
140	118	St Andrews	140	●+3	4.8b	3.3	47.8
376	287	Scottish	376	+6	8.9	2.4	65.2
320	88	Scot American	81	a+1	..b	..	..
116	88	Scot Eastern	116	+1	2.9	2.5	60.7
420	380	Scot Merc 'A'	397	..	32.1	8.1	17.0
526	402	Scot Mtge	523	+5	12.1	2.3	58.6
310	245	Scot Nat	290	..	7.2	2.5	54.3
672	570	Second Alliance	672	+5	24.8n	3.7	34.5
81	67	Smaller Cos	80	..	2.0	2.5	55.9
51	35	Stewart Enterp	42	r..	6.6	1.4	..
102	81	TR Australia	88	..	3.3	3.7	31.4
132	98	TR City Of Lon Dfd	110	●+1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
200	155	TR Ind & Gen	200	+2	5.7	2.9	43.2
113	100½	TR Natural Res	111	s..	5.9	5.3	23.8
101	85	TR North America	97	+1	2.6	2.7	49.2
186	118	TR Pacific Basin	183	-2	1.4	0.8	..
186	140	TR Property	184	+2	5.7	3.1	40.8
118	90½	TR Tech	103	+1	2.6	2.5	48.6
174	139	TR Trustees	164	●+1	6.0	3.7	38.0
158	135	Temple Bar	153	●+3	8.1b	5.3	25.7
305	237	Throgmorton	285	●+2	11.8b	4.2	34.8
370	300	Throg Secured Cap	350	..	..	..	..
207	157½	Trans Oceanic	193	+2	5.5	2.8	49.8
145	112	Tribune	140	+3	4.0	2.9	40.1
94	78	Triplevest Inc	90	..	15.8	17.6	8.1
288	217	US Debenture	286	+6	9.3	3.2	57.7
62	33	Viking Resources	38	..	2.9b	8.1	17.7
73	53	Westpool	61	..	2.2	3.6	43.9
105	80½	Witan	103	s+2	4.6	4.5	59.5
356	286	Yeoman	346	●..	15.1b	4.4	35.8

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
47¾	34½	American Express	£43½	+8	..	..	..
71	31	Argyle	44½	+1	1.4	3.1	23.8
40	21	Boustead	29	..	..	..	78.4
154	116	Britannia Arrow	145	..	6.0	4.1	17.1
22½	13½	Daily Mail	£21	●..	70.0	3.3	14.8
20¼	12½	Do 'A'	£18½	●-½	70.0	3.7	13.2
156	131	Electra	144	+1	5.9	4.1	33.3
160	90	Eng Trust	153	..	4.3	2.8	17.2
247	187	Exco	227	+7	6.0	2.6	14.6
106	66	Exploration	96	+2	3.3	3.4	12.9
750	375	Framlington	740	..	9.3	1.3	24.4
94	77	Frost Gp	86	+5	6.4	7.4	9.2
143	75	Goode (D & M)	143	+7	2.5	1.7	40.1
900	480	Henderson Admin	830	s+10	17.9	2.2	16.4
218	152	ICH	155	+3	12.9b	7.7	6.9
440	320	MAI	390	+6	22.9	6.0	10.0
280	130	M & G	280	..	6.7	2.4	30.4
352	252	Mercantile House	272	●..	20.0	7.4	5.2
126	78	Pacific Inv Tst	126	+3	0.5	0.4	..
27½	16	Do Warrants	26½	..	..	..	..
205	152	Smith New Court	164	+1	10.0	6.1	8.1

COMMODITIES

LONDON COMMODITY EXCHANGE

G W Joynson and Co report

SUGAR (From C. Czarnikow)

FOB
Oct 128.2-28.0
Dec 137.2-36.6
Mar 151.2-51.0
May 155.2-54.6
Aug 155.6-58.4
Oct 164.0-62.8
Vol: 3422

COCOA

Sep 1390-88
Dec 1444-43
Mar 1480-78
May 1497-96
Jly 1514-10
Sep 1530-29
Dec 1553-52
Vol: 2949

COFFEE

Sep 2050-46
Nov 2055-50
Jan 2080-55
Mar 2020-15
May 2025-15
Jly 2035-25
Sep 2050-25
Vol: 5855

SOYABEAN

Oct 132.0-31.6
Dec 129.5-29.3
Feb 131.5-30.5
Apr 132.5-31.5
Jun 130.5-29.0
Aug 130.0-28.5
Vol: 180

GAS OIL

Sep 130.5-30.25
Oct 135.5-35.00
Nov 137.75-37.5
Dec 141.0-40.75
Jan 143.0-42.75
Feb 142.0-39.00
Mar 132.00-25.0
Apr 135.00-25.0
May 135.00-25.0
Vol: 2388

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE
Unofficial prices
Official Turnover figures
Price in £ per metric tonne
Silver in pence per troy ounce
Rudolf Wolf & Co. Ltd. report

COPPER GRADE A
Cash 880.50-881.50
Three Months . 894.00-894.00
Vol 8000
Tone .... Steadier

STANDARD CATHODES
Cash 851.00-853.00
Three Months . 871.00-872.00
Vol 600
Tone .... Steady

LEAD
Cash 267.50-268.50
Three Months . 269.50-269.75
Vol 2250
Tone .... Steadier

ZINC STANDARD
Cash 520.00-525.00
Vol .... Nil
Tone .... Idle

ZINC HIGH GRADE
Cash 557.00-558.00
Three Months . 555.00-556.00
Vol 2050
Tone .... Steadier

SILVER LARGE
Cash 346.00-347.00
Three Months . 354.00-354.00
Vol 11
Tone .... Quiet

SILVER SMALL
Cash 346.00-347.00
Three Months . 354.00-354.00
Vol .... Nil
Tone .... Idle

ALUMINIUM
Cash 768.00-769.00
Three Months . 761.50-762.00
Vol 2500
Tone .... Steady

NICKEL
Cash 2525-2530
Three Months 2580-2583
Vol 24
Tone .... Steady

MEAT AND LIVESTOCK COMMISSION
Average fatstock prices at representative markets on 21st August

GB: Cattle, 96.10p per kg lw (-0.52)
GB: Sheep 148.98p per kg est d c w (-14.38)
GB: Pigs, 78.74p per kg lw (-0.70)

England and Wales:
Cattle nos. up 5.7 %, ave. price, 97.02p (+0.01)
Sheep nos. down 8.4 %, ave. price, 150.74p (-14.0)
Pig nos. up 3.0 %, ave. price, 79.03p (-0.76)

Scotland:
Cattle nos. down 3.8 %, ave. price, 93.36p (-2.22)
Sheep nos. up 35.8 %, ave. price, 142.82 (-13.28)
Pig nos. up 0.0 %, ave. price, 74.07p (0.0)

LONDON MEAT FUTURES EXCHANGE
Pig Contract
p. per kilo

Month	Open	Close
Aug	Unq.	97.5
Oct	Unq.	103.3
Nov	Unq.	105.2
Feb	Unq.	98.5
Apr	Unq.	98.5
Jun	Unq.	98.5

Vol: 0

Pig Meat vol: 0

LONDON MEAT FUTURES EXCHANGE
Live Cattle Contract
p. per kilo

Month	Open	Close
Aug	Unq.	97.0
Sep	Unq.	98.5
Oct	Unq.	98.5
Nov	Unq.	99.5
Feb	Unq.	99.0
Apr	Unq.	99.0
Jun	Unq.	90.0

Vol: 0

LONDON GRAIN FUTURES
£ per tonne

Month	Wheat Close	Barley Close
Sep	105.80	104.90
Nov	107.00	107.10
Jan	110.40	109.50
Mar	113.00	111.75
May	115.75	113.50

Volume:
Wheat 282
Barley 628

LONDON POTATO FUTURES
£ per tonne

Month	Open	Close
Nov	115.0	114.8
Feb	125.5	125.3
Apr	170.0	171.0
May	184.9	184.9
Nov	80.0	80.0

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BIFFEX
G.N.I. Freight Futures Ltd report $10 per index point freight index

	High/Low	Close
Oct 86	780.0-740.0	742.0
Jan 87	790.0-767.0	769.0
Apr 87	825.0-812.0	812.0
Jul 87	758.0-758.0	747.5
Oct 87	845.0-825.0	825.0
Jan 88	— —	850.0
Apr 88	— —	912.5
Jul 88	— —	820.0

Vol: 400 lots
Open interest: 1937

TANKER REPORT

	High/Low	Close
Aug 86	1340-1340	1340.0
Sep 86	—	1225.0
Oct 86	—	1292.5
Dec 86	—	1250.0
Mar 87	—	1187.5
Jun 87	—	1250.0

Vol: 25 lots
Open interest 41

Spot market commentary:
Tanker index:
1455.0 down 2.5 on 20/8/86.
Dry cargo index:
607.5 up 18.5 on 20/8/86.

Equities steady

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings began August 11. Dealings end next Friday. §Contango day September 1. Settlement day September 8. §Forward bargains are permitted on two previous business days.

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1	Brown Shipley	Banks,Discount	
2	Allied-Lyons	Breweries	
3	Blue Circle	Building,Roads	
4	Nthn Foods	Foods	
5	Tomkins (FH)	Industrials S-Z	
6	Low & Bonar	Industrials L-R	
7	LCP	Drapery,Stores	
8	Laporte	Chemicals,Plas	
9	Castings	Industrials A-D	
10	Howden	Industrials E-K	
11	Ward White	Drapery,Stores	
12	Robertson Res	Industrials L-R	
13	Salvesen (Chstn)	Foods	
14	Halstead (James)	Chemicals,Plas	
15	AB Elect	Electricals	
16	Sutcliffe Speakman	Chemicals,Plas	
17	HAT	Building,Roads	
18	Burton	Drapery,Stores	
19	Ruberoid	Building,Roads	
20	BPB Industries	Building,Roads	
21	Spirax-Sarco	Industrials S-Z	
22	Gates (Frank G)	Motors,Aircraft	
23	Hanimex	Industrials E-K	
24	Hickson	Chemicals,Plas	
25	Hambros	Banks,Discount	
26	Amec	Building,Roads	
27	Marks & Spencer	Drapery,Stores	
28	Hanson	Industrials E-K	
29	Silentnight	Industrials S-Z	
30	Matthews (Bernard)	Foods	
31	Higgs & Hill	Building,Roads	
32	Tilbury Group	Building,Roads	
33	Gerrard Nat	Banks,Discount	
34	Metal Closures	Industrials L-R	
35	Dowding & Mills	Electricals	
36	BOC	Industrials A-D	
37	Wigfalls	Drapery,Stores	
38	Cattles	Banks,Discount	
39	Marshalls (Halifax)	Building,Roads	
40	Fogarty	Industrials E-K	
41	Woodhead (Jonas)	Motors,Aircraft	
42	Kershaw (A)	Industrials E-K	
43	Balmer (HP)	Breweries	
44	Porter Chadburn	Industrials L-R	

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Fifty ways to stop billions going through the roof

Tomorrow sees the opening of Energy World, an exhibition of 50 energy-efficient houses created to promote good housing design, and to increase awareness of the savings and greater comfort that energy-efficiency can offer.

The four-week show at Milton Keynes is the biggest event in Energy Efficiency Year. It puts the spotlight on energy conservation — a many faceted subject which affects the nation at every level from government to the man in the street, or rather at home grumbling about high fuel bills.

According to the Energy Efficiency Office, Britain is bottom of the international energy-efficiency league. The nation wastes one-fifth of its total energy consumption, the equivalent of £7 billion a year, which is more than our income from North Sea oil. This could be saved if the cost-effective energy-efficiency measures available now were implemented throughout the country.

Of the £7 billion, some £3 billion arises from wastage in buildings, and £2 billion from domestic homes. Much of this money could be saved by measures that require modest or no investment. Moreover, many of the savings could result in greater comfort.

But they are not being implemented on anything like the scale required because there is a widespread lack of awareness, interest and information on ignorance about the benefits of energy efficiency. We lack the skills to manage the energy we consume.

In the domestic sector, for example, the Government provides more than £400 million in heating allowances to underwrite fuel bills in low-income households. Much of this money is for fuel used on inefficient heating in poor housing.

Two years ago, the Energy Secretary, Peter Walker, announced a major initiative to overcome these problems with the aim of lifting Britain from bottom to top of the international energy-efficiency league.

Whether this ambitious objective will be achieved, remains to be seen. Numerous awareness campaigns and incentive schemes to encourage the use of energy-saving measures have been introduced and are producing results. Probably the best known incentive scheme in the domestic sector is the Homes Insulation Scheme, which provides grants to householders towards the cost of installing for loft insulation.

Incentive schemes show good results and require only small investments

The Energy Efficiency Office gives help to voluntary organizations to set up local projects for carrying out insulation work in the homes of the elderly and the disadvantaged. The work is done by unemployed people under the Community Programme run by the Manpower Services Commission.

The Government has also provided financial assistance for combined heat and power generation and district heating projects in various parts of the country.

Energy standards are being prepared and published. The British Standards Institution, for example, has published a code of practice for energy efficiency in buildings — BS 8207 — together with an associated design guide. In addition, the Department of the Environment is revising the energy-efficiency provisions of the building regulations.

Energy utilization and conservation is also being studied in schools. The Department of Energy organizes seminars for teachers and provides educational material for schoolchildren of all age groups.

Awareness has also spread to the building societies, as exemplified by the Anglia Building Society's sponsorship of Energy World, and Abbey National's participation as a house exhibitor.

Even the Inland Revenue is sympathetic in that certain energy-saving improvements qualify for tax relief.

After Energy World, the Department of Energy will step up its campaign in the domestic sector with a massive Monergy ("get more for your money; get more out of your energy") mail and TV campaign. Every household in the country will be canvassed. A free magazine, Monergy News, will give advice on energy saving measures and carry special offers on energy-efficient products from advertisers.

Awareness of the need for energy-efficiency is still poor. A recent survey of architects carried out by the magazine *Building Design* found that only a quarter of the firms questioned felt they were reasonably skilled in energy conservation. The rest admitted they were almost completely ignorant of energy issues.

Energy savers: Hughes Homes, above, Stepnell Homes, below left and PCKO House, below right; and below, a Haslam Home made predominantly in glass

Architects can now 'tune in'

A lot of work has been done to encourage energy efficiency but the growth of energy-consciousness among architects, builders and house buyers has been hampered by the lack of a commonly accepted way of quantifying standards for measuring how energy-efficient a given house is.

Visitors to Energy World, however, will be able to compare the relative fuel efficiencies of the houses on show, because each one has been rated according to its energy performance on a common standard. The rating used is the Milton Keynes Energy Cost Index (MKECI).

This is based on an estimate of a house's total annual running costs per square metre under certain standard conditions of occupancy and use. It is presented as a figure between 90 and 250 — the lower the figure, the lower the house's likelyrunning costs.

The estimate takes into account the house's location and orientation as well as its size and fabric, and so goes further than current building regulations, which concentrate on the materials and methods used in construction.

A house built to current building regulations would have an MKECI rating of 170. The performance standard the Milton Keynes Development Corporation has set for the houses at Energy World is 120 — about 30 per cent better.

The MKECI differs from current building regulations in that it does not specify which measures should be used to meet the standard. Thus, it gives architects and builders greater degree of flexibility in design and construction.

The index does not predict actual energy consumption, but is rather like the fuel economy rating of a car. The miles per gallon figure assumes certain speed and driving conditions, but does not predict actual fuel consumption as this depends mainly on how people actually drive and take care of their cars.

The MKCEI is estimated by using a special computer program on a IBM or similar personal computer. The program can also help with house design by telling an architect which energy-efficient features will be the most effective for any given housing project.

He simply keys in the various energy-related parameters of the house he is designing, including external factors such as the type of soil the house is built on, the house's orientation, and how overshaded it is. The computer then produces the index in a few seconds.

The architect can "tune" his design to achieve the optimum index figure in terms of cost and efficiency, by changing any parameter value in the design and seeing its effects on the index figure.

The MKECI program has been developed by the Milton Keynes Development Corporation after many years' experience in developing energy-efficient housing. It has been field tested and it will be further tested next year, when the 12 months' monitored performance of various houses on the Energy World site will be compared against their respective index ratings.

Common measure is finally possible

The Index has been endorsed by the Building Research Establishment of the Department of the Environment, but it does have its critics. Some sectors of the building industry argue that the building regulations relating to the energy efficiency of building fabric should first be tightened before a more variable cost index is formulated.

In terms of amending or augmenting the building regulations, the Department of Energy plans to issue a draft discussion paper this autumn with a view to amending or adding to the existing building regulations.

According to the DoE, the changes would come into force in a year's time, and the possibility of a cost index acceptable to house designers, builders and buyers alike, would follow some time after that.

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The proof of the efficiency of these houses is that they have satisfied the organisers of Energy World that they offer exceptionally low running costs.

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Traditional buildings are hard to beat

The Energy World Exhibition provides a rare opportunity to see the different ways of creating a house that is energy-efficient, cheap to run and comfortable to live in.

The 50 houses on view are a showcase of the latest thinking in energy-efficiency. And it is interesting to note that traditional brick-built houses outnumber those built by more modern techniques.

Of the 32 firms at the exhibition, 18 are exhibiting brick-built homes, 12 are showing timber-frame homes, and two feature homes of poured-concrete construction. All have insulated ground floors (a requirement not specified in the building regulations) as well as insulated roofs and walls, and double glazing.

Nearly 90 per cent are heated by gas. Of the rest, four are all-electric, including the house with the lowest energy cost index, and two use solid fuel as their main source of heating. None uses oil (Opec please note).

Landscaping can cut heat losses

Many make use of passive solar measures such as south-facing conservatories and living areas. Some have landscaped gardens that provide shelter from the wind. One plot makes use of wind-generated electricity.

The houses on show illustrate two main schools of thought.

One is to use traditional methods and materials combined with careful design that makes maximum use of natural resources such as sunlight and shelter, to complement a basic cavity-wall construction of brick outside and concrete building blocks inside, the cavity being filled with insulation. The result is a structure that acts like a storage heater: it absorbs heat, radiating it internally, and is slow to cool.

The other school of thought is to use more modern methods that make houses independent of the environment. They have a well-insulated inner shell of either timber or cast concrete; the outer skin is of brick, rendering or timber cladding. The inner shell is airtight, making heating and ventilation easier to control.

The timber-frame house heats quickly, but also cools quickly. The cast concrete house, however, heats up quickly but absorbs heat and therefore cools slowly.

A good example of the traditional approach to energy-efficient design is the Pilkington House.

A big three-bedroom detached house costing about £100,000. It is constructed from products in widespread use, and has an energy cost index rating of 81.1 – less than half the value achieved by a house built to standard building regulations.

Most of the improvement has been achieved by a combination of high standards of insulation, maximizing solar gain (heat from the sun), double glazing with high-performance glass and using high-efficiency boilers.

The design, based on Pilkington's 10 years' experience in energy-housing projects, is intended to show that there need be no mystique, or cost penalty, in achieving good-quality design at low cost.

The use of traditional construction methods for cheap energy-efficient housing is demonstrated by the Milton Keynes Development Corporation, which has built a complex of flats, houses and bungalows on a site near the exhibition entrance.

Costing between £23,000 and £55,000, they range from one-bedroom flats to four-bedroom houses. They incorporate numerous energy-saving features which, with close attention to construction details, site layout and scheme planning, have led to running costs being 20 per cent less than comparable properties, the corporation says.

Poured-concrete houses, as their name implies, are made by casting the house walls on-site and filling the wall cavity with insulation. This well-proven technique can be applied to contract work for local authorities and housing associations, as well as to private housing.

The four-bedroom house built by Mowlem, for example, is based on the low-energy passive solar housing the company built in 1979 for the Pennylands project, an experimental estate in Milton Keynes.

At about £100,000, the Mowlem house has 24 energy-saving features, including a sun space/conservatory, controlled ventilation with heat recovery, lobbies on outer doors, double glazing and good insulation in the roof, walls and floor.

A German-developed variation on the concrete technique is embodied in the Multitherm Easibuild house. Its shell has been made by pouring the concrete into moulds of Polystyrene, which subsequently provide the insulation.

The technique provides high-energy efficiency without depending on any particular orientation. It can be used for dwellings of any size or cost. It can also be used to extend buildings with minimal structural disturbance and without occupants having to evacuate the house.

The company claims the construction procedures are simple and labour requirements modest. The result is a close-tolerance shell that enables external and internal finishing to be completed quickly.

The environmental independence of timber-frame houses is exemplified in the all-electric, three-bedroom house and two-bedroom flats built by Laing. Their airtightness coupled with their humidity-controlled heating and ventilation systems enable them to be energy-efficient without relying on the sun.

The house has an energy cost index of only 41.1 – the lowest in the exhibition – and its annual heating and hot-water costs are only £80.

Other houses also yield handsome savings for their occupants. The equivalent of a free family holiday every year is claimed for the energy savings provided by a four-bedroom timber-frame house built by the Abbey National Building Society. It makes maximum use of energy-saving features such as insulation, window size and siting.

Heat loss through the walls is prevented by earth berms – protective banks of earth against the walls – which also keep the walls cool in summer. Wind speed is also reduced by careful siting of trees and shrubs.

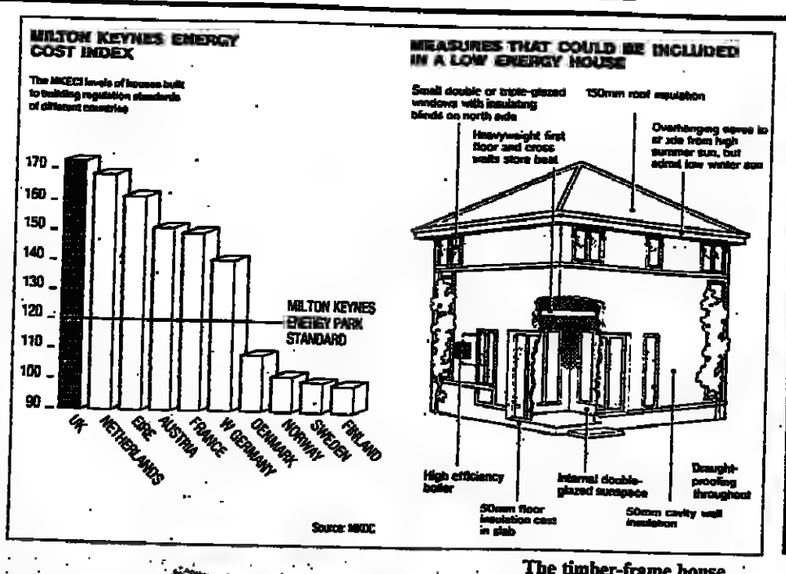
Another advantage of timber-frame houses is that they are quicker to build. One house at Energy World, the ASPP New Tudor, was erected and finished in a fortnight.

But despite their advantages, timber-frame houses have had to overcome bad publicity in the early-1980s when there were numerous complaints of damp walls and other defects.

These problems were caused mainly by building workers, who were not familiar with timber-frame techniques. Though this method of construction has been used in Scandinavia and elsewhere for many years, it is new to Britain.

With the advent of the government's Monergy campaign to cut energy consumption in homes, and the associated drive for more energy-efficient houses, Britain's timber-frame industry seems to linking up with Scandinavian and other overseas producers to start a big sales drive. Energy World will be a natural platform for promoting their techniques.

Energy World is co-sponsored by the Anglia Building Society and will be open for four weeks from tomorrow until Sunday, September 21. It will be followed by a special Energy World Business exhibition from September 26 until October 1



The timber-frame house on the left, built by Laing, is the most energy-efficient building at the exhibition. Its heating and hot-water costs are only £80 a year. Other houses, like the one above right, by PCKO Architects, make the most of the sun by having large areas of double glazing

Living in the showcase

With its 50 fuel-efficient houses, the Energy World Exhibition represents the first phase of the Milton Keynes Energy Park – the new city's most ambitious project in energy efficiency.

The first of its kind in the world, it is a 300 acre (125 hectare) site that will have employment areas, housing, parkland and community facilities designed to promote energy efficiency, internationally as well as in Britain.

This seven-year project began in 1985. It will eventually house 3,100 people and provide 2,500 jobs. It will help residents and businesses to cut their energy costs, and give them the most modern communications and information services.

The venture is being carried out by the Milton Keynes Development Corporation with the support of private companies, government departments, local authorities, the energy utilities, and telecommunications authorities.

A wide range of housing is planned, including ones for sale and plots for self-building. There will also be sheltered housing for the elderly, and shared-ownership housing for tenants wishing to buy a "share" of their house. Communal facilities will include shops, schools, meeting halls and a local park.

Businesses will have a choice of ready-built premises or sites for those who prefer to build their own accommodation. Construction of the first commercial properties will start soon.

Buildings and landscaping are being designed to cut energy costs to a minimum. Every building design will have to meet the same exacting standards in energy efficiency as the houses in Energy World.

Residents and businesses will be encouraged to use the most efficient energy resources, and the most energy-efficient equipment. Heat pumps and combined heat and power systems for serving groups of buildings are being considered.

As part of the park's role in promoting energy efficiency, a monitoring service will be set up to assess the effectiveness of new energy-saving techniques and to compare the energy usage of buildings on the site against the predictions made by their rating on the MKECI (Milton Keynes Energy Cost Index).

In addition, commercial energy-management and building services management will be offered, including the remote control of heating, lighting and air-conditioning, particularly for small and medium-size companies.

Teleshopping is on the cards

Opportunities for energy-efficient transport are also planned, including an Energy Track for experimental energy-efficient vehicles.

From the outset, the park will have the most advanced telecommunications facilities from both British Telecom and Mercury. Businesses will have a wide choice of voice, data and video services.

Residents will have a cable-TV service offering seven entertainment channels, FM radio and the local-community channel with Protovideoton, a combination of teletext and photo quality images.

Long-term plans include enhancing the provision of local information by upgrading the cable-TV system with interactive services such as telebanking, teleshopping and an electronic mailbox.

The Energy Park will also serve as a large-scale demonstration project for energy efficiency. In the heart of the park will be the Energy Centre, which will be the focus for all the park's activities, and a permanent international information, education and recreation complex for promoting the understanding and efficient use of energy.

A visitors' centre will explain the concept of the Energy Park and provide advice and information. An exhibition area will use the latest display techniques to entertain and inform visitors on the subject of energy. Extra details will be available at a permanent trade centre. There, people will get access to sources of information from all over the world.

The complex will also have an education centre which will provide programmes for schoolchildren, teachers, householders and energy professionals. In addition, it will be linked to an exhibition park where visitors will be able to see large-scale displays in an attractive site next to lakes and parkland.

The Energy Centre will also be an administration base for companies in the park, and will provide management and business services. The entire complex will be managed by a company which will also be responsible for monitoring the projects in the Energy Park.

To focus attention on the Energy Park and stimulate energy awareness, the Milton Keynes Development Corporation plans to follow Energy World with a series of exhibitions on other aspects of energy. These include a demonstration of energy efficiency in business, and a large-scale exhibition on transport at which the latest fuel-efficient vehicles will be put through their paces.

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Fiat's Mickey Mouse marks 50 years

The Fiat 500 Topolino "Mickey Mouse" is celebrating its 50th birthday. Anyone who has survived the rush hour Grand Prix in any major Italian city will understand why the celebrations are being undertaken so enthusiastically.

This is the car that taught generations of young Italians their "foot on the floor" driving technique. With so little power at their command only death staring them in the face would persuade them to lift off the accelerator.

The man who designed Topolino – and who many would say has a lot to answer for – has just been talking about its creation. Dante Giacosa, aged 79, was 29 when Scimitar Agnelli, the legendary head of the Fiat empire, told him to make a people's car that was cheaper but would out-perform similar German and French models.

A prototype called "Zero A" ran for the first time on October 17, 1934. It reached 51 mph but the very basic 569cc, four cylinder water-cooled engine was extremely noisy. A stronger crankshaft with bronze main bearings made it more acceptable but no one who has ever driven an early Topolino would ever describe it as "quiet".

The Fiat 500 was launched on June 15, 1936, under the banner "the world's smallest mass-produced car". It was 10½ feet long, had a top speed of nearly 53 mph and would carry two adults and some luggage. It was the first Fiat to use unitary construction in that the body shell doubled as the chassis.

The true Topolino went out of production in 1955 after some 500,000 had been sold. It was resurrected two years later with a new body and the engine moved from the front to the rear. It is the latter rear engine version which most of us are familiar with. It was replaced in 1976 by the bigger four-seater 126.

The Fiat 500 Topolino "Mickey Mouse" in 1936

Road Test

Alfa 75

The "wolf in sheep's clothing" description has been misused so often that I hesitated before applying it to the Alfa Romeo 75. But in this case it really is apt because this is a classic example of a rather ordinary looking car with outstanding performance and handling.

It was launched in Italy back in May 1985 and called the 75 to mark the 75th anniversary of the founding of Anonima Lombarda Fabbrica Automobil. I tried a left-hand drive model briefly in the mountains above Milan and returned full of praise for an outstanding driver's car. But I had to wait a further year before a right-hand drive version reached the UK and another two and a half months before getting my hands on one.

This is just the car to sweep away the boredom of today's congested roads. Only 14.2 feet long – that is several inches shorter than most family cars – and powered by a 2.5 litre V6, it responds to the slightest touch of the whip like the thoroughbred it is. What a pity that a company capable of marrying all that power to such a well-balanced chassis should be struggling to keep endemic losses under control and may yet end up sharing the same bed as Ford.

But there are weaknesses in Alfa's approach that Ford could iron out and sad to report many of them are present in the 75. There were too many minor rattles and squeaks for a car costing £11,649 and being sold as an up-market sports saloon.

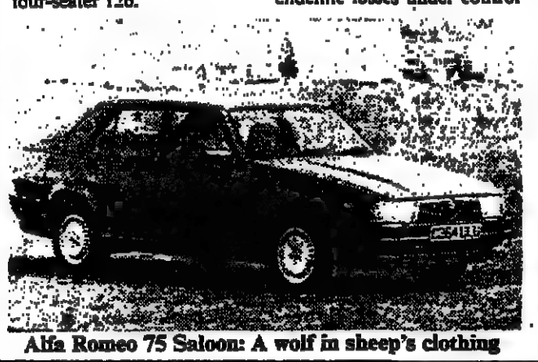
The pedals are set too high and at a very awkward angle. Operating the clutch is particularly cumbersome. The dashboard warning lights for unsecured doors appeared to be poorly adjusted and could only be extinguished by re-slamming already closed doors.

But the biggest complaint from drivers and front seat passengers alike was reserved for the centrally mounted handbrake. Shaped like three sides of a square it would be more at home as the multiple throttle control on the flight deck of a four engined airliner. It is too big and intrusive. Putting the car into reverse gear with the brake on is to risk a nasty pinch between the gear leaver and that ghastly brake handle. The gear change is notchy and dated compared to the latest "finger-light" boxes on rival products.

All these shortcomings are separately of a minor nature but when they occur together the effect can be very depressing for the owner. The last thing Alfa needs at this moment is for its otherwise impressive cars to be talked down by disgruntled drivers. There is still a great deal of latent goodwill for this famous old marque. That goodwill needs to be nurtured by cars which massage the ego of their owners, not irritate them.

The 75 sticks to rear wheel drive at a time when most of its rivals have jumped on the front wheel bandwagon. But this is a layout which Alfa has brought to near perfection. The absence of steering with a mind of its own – the bugbear of other high-powered front drive designs – makes it very reassuring to drive at speed.

A lower powered 1.8 version is also being imported.



Alfa Romeo 75 Saloon: A wolf in sheep's clothing

Vital statistics

Model: Alfa Romeo 75 Cloverleaf
Price: £11,649
Engine: 2492cc V6
Performance: 0 to 60 mph in 8 seconds, maximum speed 130 mph.
Official consumption urban 21.7 mpg, 56 mph 41.5 mpg, 75 mph 31 mpg.
Length: 14.2 feet
Insurance: group 8

IN BRIEF

● The new Escort RS Turbo which has just gone on sale is a more refined and manageable car than its predecessor.

The new model I tried recently has undergone detailed changes to the 1597cc CVH engine, which has considerably improved the turbo lag.

The suspension on the old model was a one-off designed with competition work very much to the fore. It has now been replaced by a modified version of that used on the well-tried Escort XR3. The viscous coupling limited-slip differential has also been "softened" to make its contribution less dramatic and the final drive ratio has been reduced to improve fuel consumption and provide more relaxed high-speed cruising.

It is said to be capable of 0 to 60 mph in 8.2 seconds and has a maximum of 120 mph.

● The Government is at last prepared to do something about the misuse of the Orange Badge Scheme which provides parking concessions to disabled and blind people. It has issued a discussion paper and asked for views on how best to tighten up the present regulations.

Copies are available free of charge from Department of Transport, C10/05, 2 Marsham Street, London SW1P 3EB and comments are requested by November 14.

● General Motors boasts of so many industry firsts for its new German-built Vauxhall Carlton (it will be called Opel Omega in Germany) that it is a pity the company did not have enough confidence in these claims to let motoring journalists try the car before asking them to write glowing reports three months before it goes on sale here

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Going swimmingly: Don Rodocker and his company's bail-out pack

Lifeline for the diver

By Ian A Jack

A former deep-sea diver's company which started with a payroll of only three is, it says, now leading the underwater safety field with a new system.

Gas Services Offshore, an Aberdeen firm established in 1981 by Don Rodocker has developed an emergency bail-out pack to give deep-water divers 15 extra minutes of precious emergency air supply should disaster strike beneath the waves.

All divers carry emergency bail-out packs but at present these allow only 46 seconds of gas at depths of 500 metres – barely enough to reach the safety of the diving bell, their underwater base.

The Gas Services team, now grown to 35, has come up with a secondary life-support system to give 15 minutes of air to aid a diver in difficulty if his primary support is cut.

The company claims the new system is the most significant breakthrough in diver safety in the last decade. A company member, Moyra Hunter, said: "We have spent two years developing it and are confident it will do very well. We hope that it will set a standard the industry will follow."

Official recognition came last month when the Minister of State for Energy, Alick Buchanan-Smith, launched the new system.

Gas Services Offshore was originally set up by the 40-year old Rodocker because he recognized that the expensive helium used by deep-water divers was "bubbling off" and going to waste. The potential for savings was enormous, bearing in mind that the annual helium-oxygen consumption in the North Sea alone is 80 million cubic feet, which is worth £10 million.

The company first came up with a new recovery system. Using this closed-circuit system, gas breathed can be gathered and transferred to a reprocessing unit on the diving-support vessel via the diver's umbilical link. Once treated and purified, the gas cen be re-used.

The company has already won wide recognition for its systems. Gas Services equipment now operates in countries as far apart as South America, the Middle and Far East, the Gulf of Mexico and the Falklands. Turnover of the company has leapt from £110,000 in 1981 to £2,700,000 in 1985.

The world market for diver-gas recovery systems, however, is small and half that market has been tapped. So the company is moving into other fields of development, of which the secondary-life-support system is only one.

In an advanced stage of developments and due for launch this autumn is a new, low-cost, remotely operated "swimming" vehicle for underwater exploration. There are many vehicles of this kind on the market but Don Rodocker is hoping to score with price, selling at about £10,000, a fraction of current equipment costs.

The company's knowledge of diver medicine is also being put to use in the field of hyperbaric oxygen units, used mainly in multiple sclerosis treatment.

BRIEFING

■ British venture-capital investment in British companies nearly doubled to £277.5 million in 1985, according to the British Venture Capital Association's annual report. In contrast, the proportion invested by members in US companies was down sharply – from 25 per cent to 12 per cent of the total at £38 million.

An increase in total investment is partly because of the growth in membership of the association. Members invested a total of £325 million in 635 companies, with most going to ventures receiving risk equity for the first time. The proportion of funds channelled into start-up businesses has declined from 18 per cent of the total in 1984 to 12 per cent last year.

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Country matters for the Small Firms Service

By Sally Watts

The Government's Small Firms Service (SFS) has a regional face.

In the eastern region, which covers Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Norfolk, Suffolk, Hertfordshire and Essex, Ron Lynch is the acting manager, based at Cambridge. He finds many small enterprises grow out of existing regional activities.

Mr Lynch says: "East Anglia is moving fast, with high-technology industries following in the wake of Cambridge's science park. There are businesses that stem from farming, such as food or services and repairs. And small hotels and guest houses are increasing in number in the tourist areas, especially on the coast."

He has a staff of 11, who receive a grounding in business problems, with training courses, updating and talks by experts. There are 28 small-firms counsellors, and business-advice days are held at area job centres.

Most of the inquiries to SFS – which is sometimes called the GP for small businesses – come from enterprises with fewer than 25 employees. Last year the centre dealt with 23,500 inquiries.

Anyone starting or running a small business, who dials 100 and asks for Freefone Enterprise, gets advice, followed where necessary by leaflets and face-to-face counselling. The first three counselling sessions are free; after that each session is £30. The Government's business and technical advisory service is also available, and it, too, is free at the start.

England's 10 SFS centres – started by the Department of Trade and Industry but now part of the Department of Employment – last year answered 285,000 calls and provided 37,500 consultancy sessions. (Scotland and Wales have their own centres, linked with development agencies.)

The most frequent problems have been financial ones, particularly how to improve cash flow and how to prepare a business plan to secure a bank loan.

This usually takes two sessions with one of the SFS team of specialists, who are paid a retainer to counsel budding entrepreneurs. Applicants must say what market research they have carried out, describe the background of the new business and those involved with it and set out their existing financial back-up. The first session is to sort out the answers, the second to polish up the application.

Mr Lynch has found that many beginners are worried about premises. Most of these are on a long-term lease, so the best bet for a young business is a small workshop or "seedbed", where lets are short-term.

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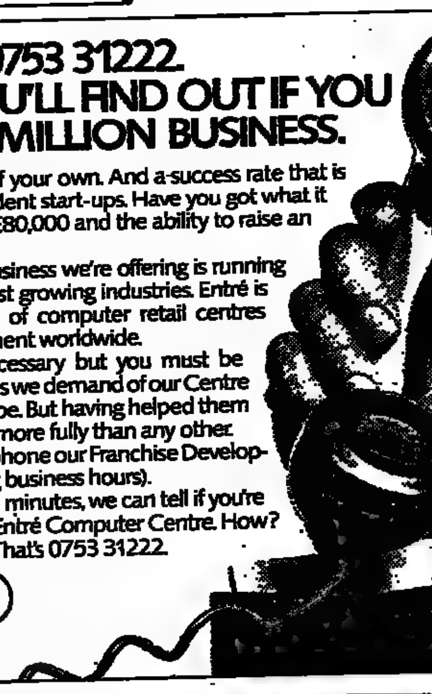

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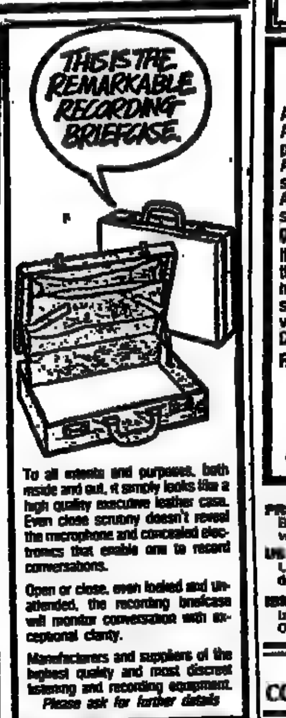

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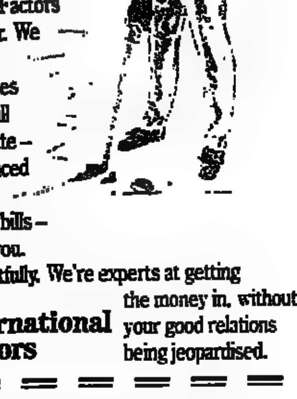

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TENNIS

Spirits of Gomer and Durie boosted

Nastase: old antics

Mahwah (Agencies) — Jo Durie and Sara Gomer, of Britain, gave their spirits a much-needed boost before next week's US Open at Flushing Meadow with third round victories full of fighting spirit in the $150,000 (100,000) United Jersey Bank classic.

Miss Durie, the sixth seed, began in wayward fashion as she slipped to a 4-1 deficit against Mercedes Paz, of Argentina. But then she found her rhythm to march to a 7-5, 6-4 victory. Miss Gomer was forced to fight even harder to beat Beverley Bowes, of the United States. The young Briton won a see-saw match 6-3, 3-6, 6-3 to join Miss Durie among the final 16 on a day when the seeds had another good day.

Helena Sukova, of Czechoslovakia, served and volleyed with authority to trounce Dinky van Rensburg, of South Africa, 6-0, 6-1. Other seeds to win were Robin White, Melisa Gurney and Alycia Moulton, of the United States, Catherine Tanvier, of France, and Dianne Balestrat, of Australia.

● Ivan Lendl, the current No 1 ranked player, overpowered Ilie Nastase, of Romania, 6-2, 6-2, in the first round of the $150,000 (100,000) Hamlet Challenge Cup invitation tournament in Jericho, New York.

Lendl, of Czechoslovakia, remained stoney-faced throughout the match as Nastase entertained the fans with constant chatter and gestures.

Nastase seemed more serious in the second set. He strutted when he broke Lendl's service and led 2-1, and started questioning line calls when he was serving at 30-30. Ahead 40-30 in this game, Nastase delayed the match when a fault call was overruled by the umpire while Lendl patiently remained impassive.

These antics could not help Nastase, as the defending champion celebrated his No 1 ranking for the US Open, announced yesterday by winning the the last 15 points of the match as Nastase's 40-year-old legs faded.

US Open seeds: Men: 1, I Lendl, (Cz); 2, M Wilander, (Swe); 3, B Becker, (WG); 4, S Edberg, (Swe), 5, Y Noah, (Fr); 6, J Connors, (US); 7, J Nystrom, (Swe); 8, H Leconte, (Fr); 9, J McEnroe, (US), 10, A Gomez, (Ecu); 11, M Pernfors, (Swe); 12, T Tulasne, (Fr); 13, A Jarryd, (Swe), 14, T Mayotte, (US); 15, B Gilbert, (US), 16, M Mecir (Cz).

Women: 1, M Navratilova, (US) 2, C Evert Lloyd, (US); 3, S Graf, (WG); 4, H Mandlikova, (Cz), 5, P Shriver, (US); 6, C Kohde-Kilsch, (WG); 7, H Sukova, (Cz); 8, B Gadusek, (US), 9, M Maleeva, (Bul), 10, K Rinaldi, (US); 11, G Sabatini, (Arg); 12, Z Garrison, (US), 13, S Rehe, (US); 14, C Lindqvist, (Swe), 15, K Jordan, (US); 16, C Bassett, (Can).

● Mats Wilander and Joakim Nystrom, the Swedes, and Jimmy Connors, the American, moved into the third round of the $375,000 (£250,000) ATP championships in Mason, Ohio, after tough second round matches.

Wilander, the top seed, won in straight sets 6-4, 7-5 against Mike Leach, of the United States, but was forced to fight all the way as Leach took a 4-1 lead in the second set. Nystrom was given an even tougher contest after losing his serve three times in the first set before rallying to beat Barry Moir, of South Africa, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.

RESULTS: Third round: (US unless stated): M Wilander (Swe) bt M Leach 6-4, 6-3; J Nystrom (Swe) bt B Moir (SA), 4-6, 6-4, 6-2; J Connors bt M Srejber (Cz), 6-1, 6-7, 6-3; D Pate bt Sergio Casal (Sp), 6-4, 6-0; H de la Pena (Arg) bt H Solomon, 6-1, 6-3; T Wilkison bt J Brown, 7-6, 6-2; J Svensson (Swe), bt L Lavalle, (Mex) 6-4, 6-4; D Perez (Urug) bt M Freeman, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2; J Canter bt M Purcell, 6-4, 7-6; J Hlasek (Cz) bt J Sadri, 6-2, 6-4; E Sanchez (Sp) bt C Steyn, (SA), 6-2, 6-3; C van Rensburg (SA) bt M Anger, 6-4, 2-6, 6-3; K Curren bt R Seguso, 3-6, 6-3, 7-6 (7-5).

ROWING

Cobra strike that other crews fear

By Jim Railton

Britain, seeking their best ever result in a world rowing championships, already have a fine springboard with five crews contesting thisweekend's finals and four waiting in the wings for a final call in today's semi-final rounds. It is important to the host country to serve their country well. A good result over this weekend on Nottingham's Holme Pierrepont course should ease their way to the Olympic regatta in Seoul by way of next year's world championships in Copenhagen.

Britain has the potential, analysing the draw, to reach nine finals by late afternoon today and after that some will be in the gold rush, although a medal of any colour by the end of the weekend will be welcome.

Martin Cross and Adam Clift, of Britain, in the coxless pairs meet today crews from Spain, Argentina, Canada, Brazil and Yugoslavia. You can never predict what this exciting British crew are likely to do, apart that they sprint somewhere in the last half of the race, but their competitors are never sure when or where.

Their lethal charge is feared by the world's best crews. They brought the Soviet Union, world champions, to their knees last year and would have snatched the gold with just one more stroke but the course ran out. They often lie back in the field but Cross, stroke, seems to have peripheral vision. He strikes like a cobra and the venom is in plentiful supply from Clift.

Their main opponents today are the Spanish world bronze medal winners, who shadowed them in last year's world championships. But a final place more than beckons. The Soviet Union's Olympic and world champions — the Pimenov brothers — are drawn in the other semi-final round along with East Germany and Romania.

Britain's lightweight double scullers, Allan Whitwell and Carl Smith, must be in optimistic mood after their victory in Lucerne and a win in the heats over the French world champions, Luc Crispon and Thierry Renault, by a whisker once again here. The world champions are drawn in the other semi-final round leaving the British double to take on the United States, West Germany, Italy, Switzerland and The Netherlands. I expect at the very least a final place from the British in this event.

The British men's lightweight eight's guts ran out to produce the lightweight four so much is expected from them. In this semi-final round the United States lightweight four are expected to be in the hunt early on. Britain, Canada and Italy are favoured for final berths.

The British men's heavyweight coxless four face the toughest semi-final round of all the British crews in action today,despite avoiding the West German world champions who look as if they will be deposed. The British four also sidestep the Soviet Union and East Germany. Britain, who finished tenth last year, and aredesperate for improvement perhaps will be looking for a kill at the expense of Czechoslovakia with Italy and Canada (with four Olympic gold medal winners in the eight on board) in confident mood.

So, all is poised for the penultimate and final stages of the world rowing championships which will be attended by Princess Anne today. Spectators will be pleased to read that the weather forecast is favourable and it is intended to keep to the racing schedule. That should be reassuring for paying customers not to mention the competitors.

RUGBY UNION

Cowley in pursuit of enterprise

Schools Rugby by Michael Stevenson

Success in schools rugby, as in most spheres, tends to breed success. But hard work and enterprise are of equal significance. Clive Griffiths, Cowley's distinguished coach, is taking his highly promising squad for pre-season training to the Bryn Ddu Outdoor Pursuits Centre in North Wales.

The side will be strengthened by the return of Darren Yates, a powerful prop who toured Australia with the triumphant Lancashire schools team, and the probable return of Chris Honey, another tourist and a talented full back. Griffiths also refers to the acquisition of "...the flying twins", the Dalferos, whose Italian family settled in the St Helens area three years ago. He expects an enterprising and exciting season.

Wycliffe set out next week on a demanding tour of Canada, returning on September 13; an ambitious brochure with contributions by David Hands, Rugby Correspondent of *The Times*, Andy Ripley and J V Smith among others, can be purchased from the college's master-in-charge, Keith Richardson. He is quietly confident about the season ahead.

Paul Kitovitz, master-in-charge of St Edwards, Oxford, reports with disarming frankness that "...the 15 have enjoyed losing seasons in recent years and, with no old colours returning, this trend seems likely to continue." He has taken over from Joe McPartlin, who will be able to spend more time with the Oxford University side.

Wirral Grammar School ended last season in a blaze of glory, winning the Wirral Schools Cup for the seventh successive year and the competitive Silcoates 15-a-side festival. Their master-in-charge, Mike Briers, is taking his squad on tour to The Netherlands where they will play three matches before returning to compete in the Hull University schools tournament. He believes that the strength of his side will be its experienced front five, plus the Cheshire 19-group half-backs, Ratcliffe and Tushingham.

Honeyghan's title bout tops good bill

New York (AP) — Lloyd Honeyghan, of Britain, will be the top of a particularly interesting bill when he challenges the undisputed world welterweight champion, Donald Curry, of the United States, in Atlantic City, New Jersey, on September 27.

Supporting the Curry-Honeyghan title bout will be a lightweight contest over 12 rounds between the unbeaten Greg Haugen and Terrence Alli. Haughen will be defending his North American Boxing Federation title against an opponent who has been beaten only four times in 26 bouts.

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C J Churley; G H R Clark; M C Clark; T J Clarke; F W Clarke; M R V Clay; B P Claydon; R G Clements; P C Clipson; J B Coates; T M Colclough; A P Coleman; J L Coles; M C Collier; D R Collins; B W Combear; J M Conlon; S E Connold; G Cook; D A Cook; C M Cooper; Cooper; K A Coram; G N W Corrall; V A D Couch; D M Coulton; J D Cox; D R Cox; L P G Craig; P S Cripps; G Crocker; J C Crompton; M A Cross; G J Curtis; D J Dalton; N Dalton; B V Darnell; M J Darbyshire; R C Davies; R V Davis; L M Davis; S O Davy; B L Dawson; B Dempsey; P S Dennett; C J B Dickson; H C Docking; J D Donald; R E Down; C Doye; M J Drawneek; S A Duffy; J Duffy; J C Duke; R D M Dunn; A J Durbin; D R Eastoe; D O Edgcombe; R D Edwards; D Edwards; R J Ellis; R G Elsworth; E A J Emery; F M Essex; J H Evans; M L Evans; P J Evans; J S Farrimond; J L Feltham; A P Ferguson; E M Firth; G L Fitton; A L Flay; S P Foale; P H Follett; G L Foot; J L Fowles; J R Frank; M J S Frater; J Frith; E G Froud; L A Fry; L Fryer; S J Fryer; J Gale; S A Gandy; J R Gardiner; J E Gardner; M O Garner; G E R Garrett; K E Gatehouse; A M P Gaywood; T W Gerken; B C Gibbins; P J Gibson; M A Gilbert; P A Gilbert; P J Gillett; C D Goff; J F J Goodridge; J L Gower; J M Gray; M Greeson; S D Green; P E H Greenhow; G L Gregory; F A Gull; E C Hagen; P A Hagley; P A Hall; D Hall; E E Halter; S E Halsey; A W H Ham; C M Hamilton-Jones; D J Hankins; D J Hannigan; M L Hanson; C J Harding; C A Harper; D O Harrington; R Harris; S Harris; N R Harrison; D G Hatcliffe; T R Hayes; P R Hayes; J M Henderson; L Henshall; J C Hewson; E E Hicks; D J Higgins; B J Hill; G Hill; C M Hull; J A Hillard; J W Hillyer; T J Hindmarsh; R P Hobbs; A G Hodder; P G Hodge; S Holderness; C Holmes; B G Howarth; E Howells; C A Howerd; R W Howie; W J Hudson; K Hudson; R Hunt; R G Hunt; S R Huntley; M E Hutchings; W J A Hutty; C M Irving; S J Irwin; J Jack; J M Jago; V F Jahans; A J James; L James; D James; C E James; C A Jarvis; I Jeffrey; V P Jelley; P E Jenkins; A C Johnston; J L Jones; C G Jones; G T C Jones; I N Joseph; K E Keay; B A Kelman; A J Kirk; P L Korda; W K Lake; M J E Lamb; L M Lamloman; H J Lang; L M Lawlan; G Lawrence; J A Lawrence; W Lawson; G P Lazar; T R Lee; J M Lee; U K Leitch; J E Leliott; M K Leyland; J A Livingston; A Lloyd; D J Lock; D E Lowe; R L Luke; D G Lunn; C G Lyons; W R Mackerrell; S M MacQueen; J M Maggs; G Mansfield; P P Markham; S B Marriott; C Marshall; J H Marshall; V M Marston; G L Martin; J P Marton; I G Mathias; W A M J McAllister; J J McGeoch; P McGrath; M K McKinley; R McLeish; R McMullan; N McVeigh; M R Merriman; T Merriott; F P Meyers; S J Miles; E G Miley; D E F Mills; D G Mitchell; J P Moles; S J Moloney; D J Moore; R C Moore; W J Morgan; J E Morris; P A Mottram; P Munsamy; R Murawicka; S L Murray; J M Musson; M L Nash; S B Nessman; R G Newbold; D C M Newcombe; M Newman; S E Nicholas; A D Nichols; M C H Nix; P Norman; C M O'Connor; W S Oldham; E M Oliver; V M Osgood; P W Packer; L E Paddock; J M Painting; S Papakostopoulos; S M Parish; M H S Parker; J P Parmiter; C P Parry; D Patchett; M U J Peirce; J Perryman; M J Peters; R J Phillips; E P Picton; R J Piper; J M Pittman; N R Pockett; M I R Pocklington; M C Ponting; J M Poock; M J Pooley; D G Pope; D E Powell; L J Preston; C J Price; C D E Pullen; J A Purkis; E A Purves; R S Rand; A D Reeves; R E Rennicks; S Richmond; J K Rickard; S A Ricks; B J Ringrose; M K Roberts; J T F Robinson; D A Robinson; J M Robinson; M D Rolling; M P Rosewarne; A P Rowe; J A Rudge; K M Sainsbury; M R Salmon; R E Salter; J J Santilhano; A Santillo; C R Sargent; M G Satchell; M J Scobie; F M Scofield; D M Scorer; C L Scott; L E E Senbirk; C Shelton; G Shenton; R M Sims; S J Sinclair; D Singh; D W Small; J J Smeath; R G Smerdon; M P Smith; P A M Smith; H J Smith; D L Smith; B E T Smith; A G Smith; R J Smith; A Sowden; J C Spedding; J P Spencer; P M Spencer; C L W Stephens; S C V Stephens; K E Still; C P Stone; R D Stone; C A Stubbs; D W P Styles; L K Sumner; C M Sykes; B Tabiner; T Tanner; C Tasse; S J Taylor; M Terrill; R W Tett; P Thomas; G W Thomas; S L Thomas; A G Thomas; L J Thorne; J A B Timpany; V J Tipper; R L Titley; V L Tong; G Townsend; D J Trezenza; R E Turland; A M Turner; J L Turner; B M Turner; J E Turton; J S Tyle; M D A Vickery; J M Vickery; C P Voysey; D G Wain; V F Wales; G I Walker; W L Walker; R A Walton; M M Ward; B J Watkins; M R Weaver; M A C Webber; C Webster; R B Welbourn; E Wells; J I West; A Weston; A J Wheeler; M P Whereat; R J White; P J M Whitworth; M J Wightman; G J Wilcox; C J Wildridge; R J Williams; R K Williams; N Williams; W L Williams; M N Williamson; C N Wilson; P M Woodcock; J R Woodhams; S J Woodward; D A Wooldridge; I J Worley; A Wright; D Yarham; D C Young; S E Young

Correction

The list of BSc degrees issued by the University of Newcastle, published on July 21, should have contained the following:

Faculty of Agriculture

Plant Science

Class II (Div 1): T C Freathy, M W Griffiths, C Hillier, I J Tetlow.

Class II (Div 2): M W Davies, D L Edwards, J R Mason, A J Park, K B Rider, H D Smith, H... L Weston.

RACING: CAUTHEN LIFTS RITZ TROPHY WITH FOUR WINNERS ON YORK'S FINAL DAY

Iosifa can make successful step up to group company

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

Following that eye-catching performance at Goodwood last month when she won the New Ham Stakes by seven lengths, Iosifa is napped to make a successful return to the picturesque West Sussex course today and win the group three Waterford Candelabra Stakes.

While conceding that the form of an ordinary maiden race is sometimes hard to analyse, the way that Iosifa put her rivals to rout suggested that she should be followed even when stepping up in class as, indeed, she now does.

Folies Bergeres and Tecana, who finished third and fourth respectively at Goodwood, 10 lengths behind Iosifa, have run well before and since: Folies Bergeres when beaten only three-quarters of a length by Echo Valley at Yarmouth on Wednesday; Tecana when fourth to Canadian Mill, Hiaam and Linda's Magic at Newmarket. So the fact that Iosifa left them for dead at Goodwood indicates she may be something out of the ordinary.

The only other two-year-old this season to make a similar impression on me was Bellotto when he made his belated debut at Newbury last month. And look what happened when he reappeared at York on Tuesday and put his stamp of authority on the Acomb Stakes.

Iosifa's first run at Newmarket behind the more experienced Twyla was also highly-promising, bearing in mind how slowly she started and the trouble she got into. Even so, she still managed to finish a length in front of Candle In The Wind, herself a winner at the big Goodwood meeting.

Today's field is further enhanced by the presence of Golden Braid, Invited Guest and the Queen's Nettle. All are unbeaten but none, I feel, managed to cut such a deep impression as Iosifa did at Goodwood and so she is napped to instigate a treble for Michael Stoute and Walter Swinburn, which should be completed by Dalgadiyr (4.0) and Slim Hope (5.0).

The runner-up to Hauwmal over today's course and distance three weeks ago, Dalgadiyr can go one better in the Taylor Woodrow Team Charity Stakes while Slim Hope will not need to have improved much since finishing a close fifth to Riot Brigade at Yarmouth to beat Mummy's Luck in the London and Edinburgh Insurance Company Maiden Stakes.

Mummy's Luck was beaten four lengths by Startle here at Goodwood on his debut. Even allowing for the fact it was the Acomb he was contesting, the way that Startle ran on Tuesday — he was beaten 20 lengths — suggests that his Goodwood victims were moderate.

Otherwise at Goodwood it should pay to follow Guy Harwood and Greville Starkey. The successful Pulborough duo can begin by winning the Tote Bookmakers Handicap with Ininsky and then complete their double two hours later with Skean (4.30). Ininsky's last two races have encouraged me to think that he can give 21lb to Local Silver, who will be wearing blinkers for the first time.

Skean's pedigree, which is virtually speed through and through, suggests that the mile of the Hanningtons Charity Maiden Fillies' Stakes will suit her far better than the 10 furlongs over which she has been beaten twice already.

Incidentally, today's programme has been sponsored entirely to help raise money for the Stable Lads Welfare Trust and the National Association of Youth Clubs. Deserving cases both.

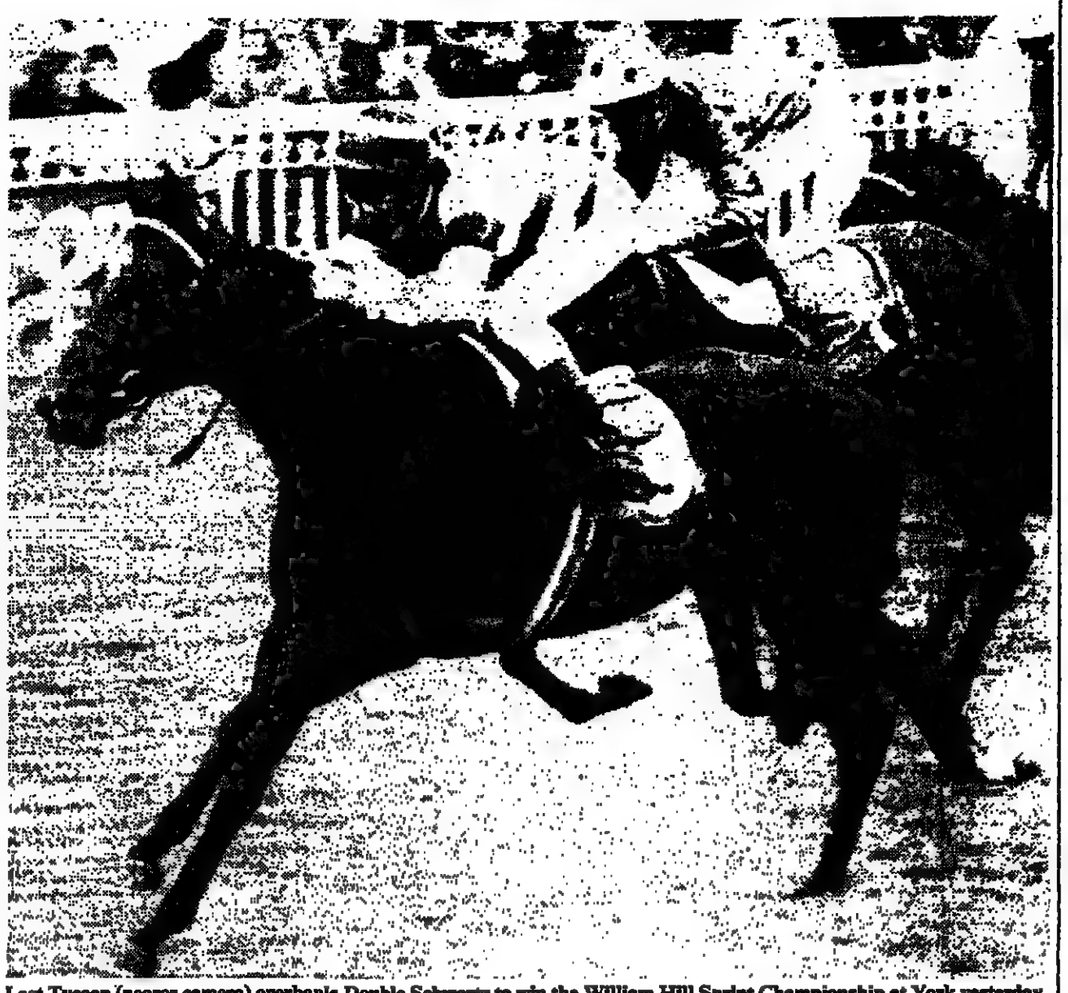
At Newmarket, that great Yorkshire character, Mick Easterby, who was understandably on cloud nine on Wednesday after Wiganthorpe's Gimcrack Stakes success, will have every reason to carry on celebrating if Catherines Well wins the Buxted Handicap.

Since the weights for this race were published, Catherines Well has won valuable sprints at Newcastle and Ripon. On the latter course, she won the Great St Wilfrid Handicap by four lengths with a 7lb penalty. So with only a 6lb penalty now, she is effectively 1lb better in than she was last Saturday.

I expect her to prove more than capable of coping with the recent course and distance winner, Margam, and Dream Chaser, who will be blinkered for the first time.

Hallgate, who finished third to Catherines Well in the Northumberland Sprint Trophy, should go well in the Hillsdown Holdings Hopeful Stakes without being quite good enough to give 9lb to Treasure Kay, whose overall form this season at Sandown, Newbury and Ascot makes him the likely winner on these terms.

Finally, it will be a bold person who opposes Lester Piggott's unbeaten colt, Genghiz, in the EBF Blue Peter Stakes.



Last Tycoon (nearer camera) overhauls Double Schwartz to win the William Hill Sprint Championship at York yesterday

Last Tycoon's champion show

By Michael Seely

Yves Saint-Martin, 15 times French champion jockey, gained glorious compensation for his unfortunate travelling experiences on Tuesday and for his bad luck in the July Cup when producing Last Tycoon with a perfectly-timed burst of speed to snatch the William Hill Sprint Championship from the grasp of Double Schwartz and Green Desert on a rainy afternoon at York yesterday.

It was a magnificent performance. And Last Tycoon has now shown himself beyond a shadow of a doubt to be the fastest horse in Europe, let alone the British Isles.

Robert Collet, the three-year-old's trainer, was modestly triumphant afterwards. "I wanted revenge for myself, the owner, Yves and the horse." Then talking about Last Tycoon's fast-finishing fourth to Green Desert at Newmarket, he said: "I'm not blaming Yves for what happened. They were knocked sideways at the start in a falsely-run race. But we had to come here to prove our point."

The 38-year-old trainer, who captured the 1979 St Leger with Son Of Love and who also saddled Kind Music to finish third to Sharpo in this race in 1982, now plans to run the Irish-bred colt over longer distances. "We wouldn't have come here if we'd won at Newmarket," he continued, "so plans are now in the melting pot. Richard Strauss, the owner, comes from Dallas and would like to have a runner on Breeders' Cup day at Santa Anita."

Though naturally disappointed, Charlie Nelson was delighted with the courage and spirit shown by Double Schwartz. "I had been thinking about the Vernons Sprint Cup," he said, "but if the winner is going to miss the Prix de l'Abbaye, we might now try and keep him fresh for Longchamp."

Talking about Green Desert, the beaten favourite, Michael Stoute commented: "He was done for finishing speed over the minimum trip and is obviously better suited to six furlongs."

The other pattern race, the group two Lowther Stakes, resulted in a gallant victory for that tough and consistent filly, Polonia, whose only other visit to England ended in defeat in the Coventry Stakes at Royal Ascot.

After John Reid had driven the Irish two-year-old past the post half a length in front of Interval, a spokesman for Jim Bolger's stable said: "There was never any doubt about Polonia running here. She doesn't mind firm going, but the only difference between Ascot and a road, was that Ascot had grass on it."

Polonia's victory certainly paid further tribute to the value of the form of the Heinz 57 Phoenix Stakes. Wiganthorpe, fourth behind Minstrella in Ireland, had already won the Gimcrack on Wednesday and here Polonia, who finished third in the same race, earned herself a tilt at the Cheveley Park Stakes after first going for the Moyglare Stud Stakes at the Curragh on September 13.

Jeremy Tree, the trainer of Interval, the highly-promising runner-up, was delighted with the performance of his filly, who appears to have more scope for improvement than the winner. "Pat Eddery said she ran very green and took a long time to realise what was expected of her. She's been off the course for a long time with sore shins. I don't know where she'll go next, but we might take on the colts in the Mill Reef as the fillies appear to have the upper hand at present."

The hero of the afternoon was Steve Cauthen. The 26-year-old American landed a 229-1 four-timer and captured the Ritz Club charity trophy awarded to the leading rider of the meeting by winning on Presidium, Ball Magic, Digger's Rest and Startino.

After showing us exactly why he has been champion for the past two seasons with a brilliant display of virtuosity, Cauthen said: "I'm certainly going to have a crack at a third championship. After all, it's a lot of fun. In a way it's a reverse situation to last year when I was in a clear lead from Pat."

Cauthen's first success at the meeting was for Henry Cecil in the opening City of York Stakes where he sent Lord Howard de Walden's Presidium clear early in the straight for a convincing victory. "We're now going to have to try and find a group three race for him," said Cecil.

Then talking about his St Leger hopes, Bonhomie and Mashkour, the five-times champion trainer went on: "I'm looking forward to the race. Bonhomie needs a strongly-run race and had to do too much of the donkey work at Goodwood." And if Shahrastani does not take his chance at Doncaster, Bonhomie is the form horse in the final classic.

Cauthen's final winner of the afternoon and Cecil's second came when Startino went to the front early in the straight in the Galtres Stakes and galloped home to a convincing victory from Kenanga and Boushamile. The trainer now plans to run this rapidly-improving filly in the Park Hill Stakes at Doncaster. Both the second and third are also under orders for the fillies' St Leger.

Cauthen's other two winners were both trained by Geoffrey Wragg. The jockey had his hardest ride of the afternoon when driving Ball Magic home to win by three-quarters of a length in the Moorestyle Convivial Maiden Stakes. Talking about John Pearce's home-bred colt, the trainer said: "Steve said he ran very green and lazily. He certainly got the message at the finish. We might have a go at the Champagne Stakes at Doncaster next."

Perhaps Cauthen's finest effort of the afternoon was when producing Digger's Rest with a perfectly timed late run to win the highly competitive Bradford & Bingley Handicap. Wragg said: "Digger's Rest is a very useful horse but everything has to go right for him in a race. I thought Steve timed it perfectly today." The trainer concluded by saying that Digger's Rest might now be trained for the Cambridgeshire, providing he is not allotted too much weight.

Wragg completed a memorable treble when Pat Eddery brought Witchcraft home two lengths clear of Guilland in the Great Yorkshire Handicap.

NEWMARKET — C4

Televised: 2.45, 3.15, 3.45, 4.15

Going: good
Draw: no significant advantage

2.15 BEAUFORT SELLING HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £1,998: 7f) (13 runners)

2 0-20404 STILL DREAMING (Mrs G Forbes) N Vigors 9-7 ..... S Dawson 1
6 030104 DORADE (B) (D) (O Pollard jun) D Morley 9-1 ..... R Cochrane 5
7 000000 SONG AN' DANCE MAN (M McCourt) M McCourt 9-1 ..... R Wernham 12
9 000044 JOHNSTAN BOY (B) (S Nielsen) C Tinkler 9-0 ..... M Birch 11
11 00-0000 MAN IN THE MOON (B) (P Felden) P Felden 8-13 ..... G Duffield 10
15 0-00200 SLEEPLINE DUCHESS (Miss S Armstrong) G Huffer 8-11 ..... G Carter (3) 4
16 000000 NAUGHTY NIGHTY (Lady Nelson of Stratford) M Tompkins 8-11 W Woods (3) 7
22 1-00000 DRESS IN SPRING (Spring House Dresses Sep Ltd) G Blum 8-6 M Rimmer 8
24 0-00 ANTHONY GERARD (BF) (A Hekel) P Makin 8-5 ..... B Thomson 13
25 040030 WINDING PATH (R Hollinshead) R Hollinshead 8-5 ..... A Whelan (7) 2
27 322242 MY CUP OF TEA (B) (BF) (W Hall) P Haslam 8-4 ..... T Williams 6
29 0-00004 HIGHLAND TALE (BF) (Mrs R Banks) A Jarvis 8-2 ..... J Lowe 3
30 0-00030 OCTIGA (M Britain) M Britain 8-0 ..... K Darley 9

Sleepline Duchess will only run if there is overnight rain.
5-2 Dorade, 11-4 Highland Tale, 5-1 Johnstan Boy, 13-2 Still Dreaming, 8-1 My Cup Of Tea, 12-1 Sleepline Duchess, Winding Path, 16-1 others.

Newmarket selections

By Mandarin

2.15 Still Dreaming. 2.45 Roman Gunner. 3.15 Run High. 3.45 Treasure Kay. 4.15 Catherines Well. 4.45 Genghiz.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.15 My Cup Of Tea. 2.45 Jack Straw. 3.15 Agathist. 3.45 Filleor. 4.15 Merdon Melody. 4.45 Genghiz.

Michael Seely's selection: 4.15 Catherines Well.

2.45 LOCKWOODS & SMEDLEY'S MAIDEN STAKES (£4,484: 7f) (17)

1 ARDEN (Lord Howard de Walden) H Cecil 9-0 ..... W Ryan 3
2 BRENTANO (C St George) L Cumani 9-0 ..... Paul Eddery 15
3 BUCKRA MELLINGA (Abigail Ltd) J Toller 9-0 ..... G Duffield 12
5 8 DANCER TO FOLLOW (T Rimington) A Bailey 9-0 ..... P Hamblett 10
6 GLORY LINE (USA) (F Salman) P Cole 9-0 ..... T Quinn 5
8 0 HIGHLAND LAIRD (D Hunnisett) D Morley 9-0 ..... T Williams 9
11 JACK STRAW (P Newton) M Stoute 9-0 ..... A Kimberley 13
16 JAMES STANLEY (S Thrasher) C Brittain 9-0 ..... G Baxter 11
18 MILAN FAIR (A Richards) C Brittain 9-0 ..... NON-RUNNER 2
17 8 MR CORMAN (S Corman Ltd) M Blanshard 9-0 ..... J Reid 7
20 RED TIMBER (J Scott) R Sheather 9-0 ..... M Rimmer 14
22 8 ROMAN GUNNER (E Moller) G Wragg 9-0 ..... P Robinson 16
24 63 SLIP DANCER (J Palmer-Brown) L Piggott 9-0 ..... R Cochrane 1
25 SURF BOARD (Duke of Roxburghe) J Hindley 9-0 ..... M Hills 8
28 2 WILLIESWRIGHTONCUE (Thorniplace Ltd Snooker Can) G Huffer 9-0 ..... G Carter (3) 6
29 WOOD CHANTER (Lavinia Duchess of Norfolk) J Dunlop 9-0 ..... T Ives 17
31 INFANTA DE CASTILE (G Leigh) B Hills 8-11 ..... B Thomson 4

7-2 Glory Line, 4-1 Arden, 5-1 Willieswrightoncue, 6-1 Slip Dancer, 13-2 Roman Gunner, 7-1 Jack Straw, Brentano, 12-1 Infanta De Castile, 14-1 others.

FORM: ROMAN GUNNER (9-0) 7th and DANCER TO FOLLOW (9-0) 8th over course and distance behind Arabian Shah (9-0) (£3919, good, Aug 1, 14 ran). SLIP DANCER (8-11) 1½l 3rd to Counter Attack (8-7) at Doncaster (7f, £2917, good to firm, July 30, 10 ran). WILLIESWRIGHTONCUE (8-11) 1l 2nd up to Sutherland Road (8-11) at Hamilton (6f, £1119, firm, June 30, 8 ran).
Selection: SLIP DANCER

3.15 HARRIS GROUP HANDICAP (£3,256: 1m 6f 171yd) (9)

3 2/20100- KINGSWICK (USA) (Sikx UK Ltd) J Francome 5-9-7 ..... N Miller 1
8 00-4110 AGATHIST (USA) (W Du Pont III) G Pritchard-Gordon 3-9-0 ..... G Duffield 9
10 01 FOXY PRINCE (USA) (Princess L Ruspoli) L Cumani 3-8-12 ..... R Cochrane 7
11 000022 VINTAGE PORT (USA) (Mrs M Wilding) R Akehurst 4-8-12 ..... T Quinn 6
12 033330 JACKDAW (USA) (C) (J Bigg) R Hollinshead 6-8-12 ..... A Clark (3) 4
13 01 RUN HIGH (K Abdulla) G Harwood 3-8-11 ..... A Clark 3
14 0-023 DHONI (R Hollingsworth) W Hern 3-8-9 ..... T Ives 8
15 3-03010 VERY SPECIAL (Mrs E Lumsdon) W Holden 4-8-8 ..... R Morse (5) 2
17 030413- BEN'S BRIDE (Mrs A Tompkins) M Tompkins 6-7-8 ..... A Mackay 5

9-4 Run High, 11-4 Foxy Prince, 9-2 Dhoni, 7-1 Agathist, 8-1 Very Special, 10-1 Vintage Port, 14-1 others.

FORM: KINGSWICK (8-9) behind Bold Rex (8-7) in November handicap, earlier (9-7) beat Kurosawa (8-13) a neck at Warwick (1m 7f, £3012, firm, July 4, 7 ran). AGATHIST behind Stavordale at Ascot. Earlier (9-7) beat Foul Shot (7-7) 2l at Haydock (2m, £3075, good to firm, June 7, 11 ran). FOXY PRINCE (9-0) beat Besiaroca (8-11) 1l at Yarmouth (1m 6f mdn, £1194, firm, July 23, 6 ran). VINTAGE PORT (9-10) 1½l 2nd to Longstop (9-4) at Folkestone (1m 4f, £1306, good to firm, Aug 12, 10 ran). JACKDAW best recent effort here (2m, £3915, good to firm, July 18, 11 ran) when (7-9) beating El Conquistador (8-1) ½l. RUN HIGH (8-7) easy 1½l winner from Miss Shirley (8-4) at Ayr (1m 5f mdn, £959, firm, July 22, 11 ran). DHONI (8-11) 4l Goodwood 3rd to Just David (9-3) (1m 6f, £4690, good to firm, July 30, 7 ran).
Selection: KINGSWICK

3.45 HILLSDOWN HOLDINGS HOPEFUL STAKES (£9,396: 6f) (7) 6

1 304103 HALLGATE (D) (BF) (Hippodromo Racing) Miss S Hall 3-9-0 ..... J Reid 3
5 030000 SIT THIS ONE OUT (D) (P Goulandris) D Laing 3-9-0 ..... R Cochrane 2
8 00-0400 CHARGE ALONG (D McIntyre) J Winter 4-8-11 ..... P Robinson 1
11 11322-0 FILLEOR (W Jones jun) G Pritchard-Gordon 3-8-8 ..... G Duffield 7
12 120-010 METEORIC (C-D) (K Abdulla) W Hern 3-8-8 ..... T Ives 4
15 10-1420 TREASURE KAY (BF) (G Yates) P Makin 3-8-8 ..... B Thomson 6
16 0-12002 HIDDEN BRIEF (K Bates) R Boss 3-8-5 ..... Paul Eddery 5

2-1 Treasure Kay, 5-2 Hallgate, 7-2 Meteoric, 11-2 Filleor, 8-1 Charge Along, 16-1 Hidden Brief, 33-1 Sit This One Out.

FORM: HALLGATE (9-7) 2½l 3rd to Catherines Well (7-10) at Newcastle. Earlier (8-3) beat Bridesmaid (8-6) a short head at Lingfield (6f, £3645, good, June 3, 9 ran). SIT THIS ONE OUT best effort when (9-0) ¾l 3rd to Faustus (9-2) at Kempton (1m May (6f, good May 31). CHARGE ALONG 7th to Royal Loft at Doncaster. Previously (8-9) 2½l 4th of 11 to Firm Landing (8-0) at Haydock (7f, £18627, good to firm, June 7, 11 ran). FILLEOR behind Mister Wonderful here on English debut. In Ireland (8-9) 2½l 2nd to The Bean Sidhe (8-2) (6f, £11531, good to soft, Oct 19, 16 ran). METEORIC (8-13) beat Zalaba (9-0) 1½l here (6f, £4201, good to firm, May 30, 11 ran). TREASURE KAY (8-7) 3rd in a photo behind Polyfotos (9-0) at Sandown (5f, £11745, good to firm, July 5, 10 ran).
Selection: TREASURE KAY

4.15 BUXTED HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £4,233: 6f) (9)

3 P-01000 DREAM CHASER (B) (D) (T Johnson) P Cole 9-7 ..... L Johnson (7) 8
5 000242 CRETE CARGO (BF) (S Amade) R J Williams 9-4 ..... R Cochrane 5
8 132302 DARK PROMISE (D) (K Fischer) R Hollinshead 9-2 ..... S Perks 4
9 303011 CATHERINES WELL (D) (Hippodrom Racing) M W Easterby 9-0 ..... G Carter (3) 3
12 4-12300 MERDON MELODY (D) (J Smith) R Sheather 8-10 ..... M L Thomas 7
16 000-0 JOUSTING BOY (USA) (G Tong) R Armstrong 8-8 ..... T Quinn 2
17 0-31041 MARGAM (C-D) (H Al-Maktoum) P Walwyn 8-3 ..... Paul Eddery 1
20 0012-0 ALMAROSE (D) (Mrs M Simmonds) J Sutcliffe 7-10 ..... R Fox 6
22 20000 MUNTARIS (H Al-Maktoum) C Benstead 7-7 ..... T Williams 5

5-4 Catherines Well, 9-2 Margam, 11-2 Dark Promise, 7-1 Almarose, 8-1 Crete Cargo, 10-1 Dream Chaser, 14-1 others.

FORM: DREAM CHASER blinkered for the first time, (9-2) beat Flyaway Bride (9-2) 2l at Leicester in May (6f, £4286, good to firm, 10 ran). CRETE CARGO (9-4) ½l 2nd to Deputy Head (9-4) at Bath (5½f, £3215, good to firm, June 14, 10 ran). CATHERINES WELL (8-11) beat Padre Pio (8-11) an easy 4l at Ripon (6f, good, Aug 16). Previously (7-10) beat DARK PROMISE (8-5) 2½l at Newcastle (6f, £5960, good, Aug 11, 9 ran). MARGAM (7-8) beat Quinta Reef (8-10) ½l over course and distance, with DARK PROMISE (8-12) 7th after not getting a clear run (£4815, good, Aug 1, 10 ran). ALMAROSE (9-8) 1¼l York winner from Skylord (8-11) (6f, £5845, good to soft, Aug 21, 28 ran).
Selection: CATHERINES WELL

4.45 EBF BLUE PETER STAKES (2-Y-O: £3,398: 6f) (7)

1 1 GENGHIZ (USA)(C) (P Walzel) L Piggott 9-6 ..... T Ives 3
2 BLANTON RESERVE (USA) (R Bonnycastle) B Hills 8-11 ..... B Thomson 4
3 GRAND TOUR (L Schott) W Hastings-Bass 8-11 ..... J Reid 1
6 HOW VERY TOUCHING (H Gibbons) J Hindley 8-11 ..... M Hills 6
8 MILITARY ATTACHE (USA) (Sheikh Mohammed) H Cecil 8-11 ..... W Ryan 2
10 MOORE BRASS (Sheikh Mohammed) C Brittain 8-11 ..... G Baxter 7
12 SUPER LUNAR (J Mitchell) R Sheather 8-11 ..... R Cochrane 5

Evens Genghiz, 3-1 Military Attache, 5-1 Blanton Reserve, 10-1 Moore Brass, 14-1 How Very Touching, 20-1 Grand Tour, Super Lunar.

● Polonia and Interval, first and second in the Lowther Stakes at York yesterday, are 25-1 with Corals for next year's 1,000 Guineas. Other prices: 14-1 Forest Flower, 16-1 Minstrella, 20-1 Canadian Mill, 25-1 Gayane and Iosifa.

● The Tote's on-course cash turnover for the three-day Ebor meeting was £787,845 — an increase of 37 per cent on last year.

GOODWOOD — BBC2

Televised: 2.30, 3.0, 3.30, 4.0
Going: straight course good; round course good to firm
Draw: 5f-6f high numbers best

2.30 TOTE BOOKMAKERS HANDICAP (£3,200: 1m) (5 runners)

103 0-40004 ININSKY (H H Prince Yazid Saud) G Harwood 5-9-8 ..... G Starkey 3
108 14-0000 PICTOGRAPH (C-D) (BF) (Lady Dunphie) I Balding 4-8-8 ..... Pat Eddery 2
110 00-2230 FLYHOME (D) (BF) (C Southgate) P Cundell 5-8-7 ..... P Cook 1
112 200-034 STEEPLE BELL (D) (Mrs C Brudenell-Bruce) M Stoute 10-8-7 W R Swinburn 5
114 0-014 LOCAL SILVER (B) (USA) (D) (Sheikh Mohammed) W Hern 3-8-1 W Carson 4

15-8 Local Silver, 3-1 Steeple Bell, 4-1 Flyhome, 9-2 Ininsky, 6-1 Pictograph.

FORM: ININSKY (9-2) 3½l 4th of 13 to Granny's Bank (8-1) at Newbury (1m, £6556, good, Aug 15). PICTOGRAPH no show when favourite at Goodwood, earlier (9-10) baulked 2f out when 3½l 5th to Fair Country (9-3) at Kempton (1m, £2616, firm, July 16, 10 ran). FLYHOME 9th at Epsom, at Sandown (7-9) had run 1¾l 3rd to Siyah Kalem (8-10) (1m, £13344, good, May 26, 21 ran). STEEPLE BELL 8l 4th last time. Previously (9-4) 3l 3rd of 9 to Fair Country (9-1) at Ascot (1m, £3168, good, July 25). LOCAL SILVER one-paced 4th here last time: previously (9-0) all out to beat Sticky Greens (8-11) 2l in Newbury maiden (1m, £3854, good to firm, July 18, 12 ran).
Selection: PICTOGRAPH

3.0 BRITISH CAR AUCTIONS APPRENTICE HANDICAP (£3,200: 5f) (10)

202 101120 MUSIC MACHINE (D) (A Piller) P Haslam 5-9-9 ..... J Scally (3) 1
203 013114 SILENT MAJORITY (D) (B Firestone) W O'Gorman 3-9-8 ..... R Carter 7
205 033346 CLEOF (USA) (Mrs D Zurcher) L Cumani 3-9-0 ..... S Guana 8
206 020000 CAPEABILITY BOUND (D) (M Pound) N Bycroft 3-8-10 ..... M Richardson (3) 3
207 000-000 SHE KNOWS IT ALL (D) (S Harvey) M Pipe 4-8-10 ..... J Quinn (7) 2
208 030000 JACKIE BLAIR (B) (D) (Jack Blair Ltd) M McCormack 4-8-7 ..... J Leach (3) 6
209 001000 FIRST EXPERIENCE (V) (D) (J Bird) P Felgate 4-8-5 ..... L Riggio (3) 10
210 004-013 DUFFER'S DANCER (D) (R Arbuthnott) W Pearce 4-8-4 ..... G King 9
211 30-4000 ASTARTE (C Anderson) G Pritchard-Gordon 3-7-12 ..... Abigail Rickards (7) 5
212 0-00000 SHARAD (V) (D) (J Nicholson) B Stevens 6-7-7 ..... S Whitelam (5) 4

9-4 Music Machine, 11-4 Silent Majority, 5-1 Duffer's Dancer, 8-1 Cleofe, 10-1 Jackie Blair, 12-1 First Experience, 14-1 Astarte, 16-1 others.

FORM: MUSIC MACHINE beaten favourite at Catterick, earlier (9-12) made all to beat China Gold (10-0) 2½l at Yarmouth (5f 25yds, £1643, good, July 23, 13 ran). SILENT MAJORITY (8-12) 3¾l 4th to Possedyno (9-7) at Windsor (5f, £2666, good, July 7, 11 ran). CLEOFE coming back in distance, at Newmarket last month was 6l 3rd (7-12) to Mummy's Favourite (9-7) (7f, £8025, good to firm, July 10, 12 ran). FIRST EXPERIENCE 8th last 2 starts, earlier (7-12) made all to win at Wolverhampton, with SHARAD (7-7) 6¾l back in 6th (5f, £2587, firm, June 23, 9 ran). DUFFER'S DANCER (8-11) 1¾l 3rd to Tanfen (9-9) at Pontefract (6f, £1850, good to firm, Aug 7, 13 ran).
Selection: FIRST EXPERIENCE

3.30 WATERFORD CANDELABRA STAKES (Group III: 2-Y-O fillies: £19,654: 7f) (6)

303 0401 CANDLE IN THE WIND (C) (C Wright) D Laing 8-7 ..... W Newnes 5
305 1 GOLDEN BRAID (D) (Sir M Sobell) I Balding 8-7 ..... Pat Eddery 6
306 11 INVITED GUEST (D) (Kinderhill Corporation) R Armstrong 8-7 ..... S Cauthen 4
307 31 IOSIFA (C-D) (Sheikh Mohammed) M Stoute 8-7 ..... W R Swinburn 2
309 110004 MY IMAGINATION (Roldvale Ltd) P Kelleway 8-7 ..... B Rouse 3
310 1 NETTLE (The Queen) W Hern 8-7 ..... W Carson 1

6-4 Iosifa, 3-1 Nettle, 7-2 Invited Guest, 6-1 Golden Braid, 14-1 Candle In The Wind, 16-1 My Imagination.

FORM: CANDLE IN THE WIND (8-11) ½l maiden winner here from Scierpan (8-11) (6f, £5205, good to firm, July 30, 14 ran). GOLDEN BRAID (8-11) 2½l Sandown maiden winner from Bint Pasha (8-11) (7f, £4162, good to firm, July 4, 10 ran). INVITED GUEST (8-11) 3l Newmarket winner from Accompanist (8-8) (7f, £4480, good, Aug 2, 4 ran). IOSIFA'S 7l course and distance defeat (8-11) of Port Helene (8-11) could have been doubled (maiden, £5119, good to firm, July 29, 11 ran). MY IMAGINATION (8-8) 2½l 4th to Laluche (8-8) at Newmarket (7f, £9683, good to firm, Aug 9, 8 ran). NETTLE (8-8) 5l Salisbury winner from Last Dance (9-1) (6f, £3184, good to soft, Aug 13, 10 ran).
Selection: IOSIFA

4.00 TAYLOR WOODROW TEAM CHARITY HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £3,200: 1m 4f) (7)

401 033-411 MISAAFF (D) (Hamdan Al Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 9-7 ..... A Murray 2
402 114 KATHY W (USA) (M Waldman) H Cecil 9-3 ..... S Cauthen 5
403 112 PLYMOUTH HOE (FR) (D) (Lady Drake) L Cumani 8-1 ..... Pat Eddery 3
404 001124 ALDINO (D) (B) (A Boyd-Rochfort) A Stewart 9-0 ..... M Roberts 4
405 313002 DALGADIYR (H H Aga Khan) M Stoute 8-12 ..... W R Swinburn 7
406 0-01010 TEBITTO (Lady D'Avigdor-Goldsmid) N Vigors 8-8 ..... P Cook 6
409 3-02040 POUNELTA (B) (Mrs A Valentine) R Hannon 8-7 ..... W Carson 1

5-2 Misaaff, 3-1 Dalgadiyr, Kathy W, 8-1 Aldino, 8-1 Plymouth Hoe, 16-1 Pounelta, 20-1 Tebitto.

FORM: MISAAFF (10-5) put head in air when winning from Mawdlyn Gate (10-5) in amateur's event at Ayr (1m 2f, £1831, good to firm, July 26, 8 ran). KATHY W (9-2) 6l 4th to Apply (8-9) at Newbury (1m 2f, £5408, good to firm, July 18, 8 ran), with POUNELTA (8-5) beaten another ½l in 6th. PLYMOUTH HOE (9-3) ½l 2nd of 3 to Wassl Raar (9-2) at Salisbury (1m 4f, £2562, good to soft, Aug 13). ALDINO (9-4) 1 ¾l 4th to Strike Home (8-2) at Windsor (1m 3f 150yds, £2742, good, July 28, 15 ran). DALGADIYR (8-2) 3l 2nd of 10 to Hauwmal (8-8) here (1m 4f, £8103, good to firm, July 31). TEBITTO (8-9) 2l 2nd of 12 to Wishion (9-6) at Windsor (1m 3f 150yds, £2675, good to firm, Aug 2).
Selection: PLYMOUTH HOE

Goodwood selections

By Mandarin

2.30 Ininsky. 3.0 Silent Majority. 3.30 IOSIFA (nap). 4.0 Dalgadiyr. 4.30 Skean. 5.0 Slim Hope.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent.

2.30 Steeple Bell. 3.0 Silent Majority. 3.30 Iosifa. 4.0 Kathy W. 4.30 Helietta. 5.0 Slim Hope.

By Michael Seely

3.30 IOSIFA (nap). 4.0 Dalgadiyr.

4.30 HANNINGTONS CHARITY MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,070: 1m) (9)

502 0-00 AL ZAHYIA (Saeed Suhail) M Fetherston-Godley 8-11 ..... F Waldron 8
505 00-002 BINT KHATOUN (Dana Saud Ltd) J Dunlop 8-11 ..... W Carson 3
507 DARING DOONE (Mrs W McAlpine) A Dewhurst 8-11 ..... M Roberts 6
509 0 ELOQUENCE (V O'Donoghue) D Elsworth 8-11 ..... W R Swinburn 1
511 00 GLADE (T Macaulay) P Mitchell 8-11 ..... A McGlone 4
512 042 HELIETTA (BF) (Fitlocks Stud Ltd) L Cumani 8-11 ..... Pat Eddery 5
516 POPTHORN (T Thorn) J Bridger 8-11 ..... R Guest 9
518 00 SKEAN (BF) (Mrs J Chandler) G Harwood 8-11 ..... G Starkey 7
520 04 SUNDAY CHIMES (BF) (R Sangster) B Hills 8-11 ..... S Cauthen 2

6-4 Bint Khatoun, 5-2 Helietta, 4-1 Skean, 6-1 Sunday Chimes, 8-1 Darling Doone, 20-1 others.

5.00 LONDON & EDINBURGH INSURANCE COMPANY MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £1,370: 6f) (8)

604 GOLD MINORES (E Benfield) P Mitchell 8-11 ..... A McGlone 7
613 2 MUMMY'S LUCK (R Khan) R Hannon 8-11 ..... Pat Eddery 8
615 0 SLIM HOPE (Sheikh Mohammed) M Stoute 8-11 ..... W R Swinburn 1
616 TREBLE TOP (J Leek) N Vigors 8-11 ..... P Cook 5
619 34 ALWAYS A LADY (G Steinberg) L Holt 8-8 ..... P Waldron 2
622 0 HOME DEVICE (R McAlpine) B Hills 8-8 ..... S Cauthen 6
623 000 LADY'S MANTLE (Duke of Marlborough) J Dunlop 8-8 ..... B Rouse 4
624 TROJAN MISS (Sir M Sobell) W Hern 8-8 ..... W Carson 3

5-2 Mummy's Luck, 3-1 Slim Hope, 100-30 Trojan Miss, 8-1 Always A Lady, Home Device, Lady's Mantle, 16-1 Gold Minorres, 20-1 Treble Top.

York results

Going: good to firm

2.0 CITY OF YORK STAKES (£4,861: 7f)

PRESIDIUM b c by General Assembly - Doubly Sure (Lord Howard de Walden) 4-9-4 S Cauthen (100-30) 1
Cee Symphetica b f by Young Generation - High Finale (Mrs A Mulnos) 4-9-4 J Reid (16-1) 2
Rockslaw ch c by Nodouble - Rosletta (K Abdulla) 3-9-0 B Thomson 12-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 9-4 fav Tanouma (5th), 11-4 Holbrooke Sutton (4th), 10 Barclay Street, 14 Soughsan, 50 Emerald Eagle (6th). 8 ran. NR: Maravilla. 2¾l, 1½l, hd, 3l, 2½l. H Cecil at Newmarket. Tote: win £3.30; places £1.10, £2.60, £2.80. DF: £30.90. CSF: £43.48. 1min 22.62sec (course record).

2.30 MOORESTYLE CONVIVIAL MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £5,352: 6f)

BALL MAGIC b c by Habitat - Miss Bali (J Pearce) 9-0 S Cauthen (Evens fav) 1
Young Judge ch c by Try My Best - Gelder Shiel (Sir Kenneth Butt) 9-0 N Connorton (16-1) 2
Maj'd b or br c by Young Generation - Eightpenny (Hamdan Al Maktoum) 9-0 Paul Eddery (12-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 6 Lubrican, Sunerta (5th), 8 Albany Park, 11 Wood Chisel, 12 Ali Smith (4th), 20 Rumbooglie, 25 Rock Chanteur (6th), 33 Barnaby Benz, 50 Ishi Ban Sos, Pegask, Illustrate. 14 ran. NR: Premier Lad. ¾l, nk, ½l, ¾l, 1½l. G Wragg at Newmarket. Tote: win £2.00; places £1.30, £5.90, £2.80. DF: £43.00. CSF: £2.094. 1min 12.57sec.

3.10 WILLIAM HILL SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIP (Group I: £49,318: 5f)

LAST TYCOON b c by Try My Best - Mill Princess (R Strauss) 3-9-3 Y Saint-Martin (7-2) 1
Double Schwartz b h by Double Form - Cassy's Pet (R Sangster) 5-9-6 Pat Eddery (5-2) 2
Green Desert b c by Danzig - Foreign Courier (Maktoum Al Maktoum) 3-9-2 W R Swinburn (9-4 fav) 3
ALSO RAN: 9-2 Gwydion (4th), 20 Grey Desire, 33 Marouble (5th), Orient, 40 Bridesmaid (6th). 8 ran. ¾l, 1½l, 4l, 3l, hd. R Collet in France. Tote: win £3.50; places £1.40, £1.20, £1.40. DF: £4.30. CSF: £11.83. 57.47sec.

3.45 BRADFORD & BINGLEY HANDICAP (£20,582: 1m)

DIGGERS'S REST b c by Mr Prospector (USA) - Loralane (Sir P Oppenheimer) 3-9-4 S Cauthen (15-2) 1
Turleik b c by Czaravich - Hit It Rich (Hamdan Al Maktoum) 3-8-5 Paul Eddery (12-1) 2
Truly Rare gr c by Affirmed - The Rarest (Sheikh Mohammed) 4-9-4 W Swinburn (13-2) 3
ALSO RAN: 5 fav King's Head (5th), 8 Come On The Blues, 10 Aventino (4th), Moores Metal, Signore Odone, Super Trip. 12 Bold And Beautiful (6th), Resourceful Falcon, 20 Caulifla Flyer, 25 Oriental Soldier, 50 Top Ruler. 14 ran. ¾l, nk, ½l, hd, sh hd. G Wragg at Newmarket. Tote: win £6.70; places £2.70, £2.70, £2.70. DF: £58.10. CSF: £65.11. Tricast: £566.07. 1min 37.79sec.

4.15 LOWTHER STAKES (Group II: 2-Y-O Fillies: £15,336: 6f)

POLONIA b f by Danzig - Moss (H de Kwiatkoski) 9-0 J Reid (5-2) 1
Interval ch f by Habitat - Intermission (K Abdulla) 8-11 Pat Eddery

CRICKET

Childs' play takes Essex to brink of leadership

By Richard Streeton

COLCHESTER: Essex, with seven second innings wickets in hand, lead Gloucestershire by 226 runs.

Essex seem likely to move to the top of the championship table today, provided that the rain, which brought the close 32 overs early, allows the final day to be completed. Essex first gained a first innings lead of 128 runs after John Childs, their left-arm spinner, took eight for 58 against his former county. Then they reached 98 for three in their second innings.

Childs kept six men close to the bat as he destroyed Gloucestershire's own hopes of winning, which would enable them to retain their narrow lead in the table. Only 48 hours earlier he took eight for 61 in a losing cause against Northamptonshire. Overall it was a compelling day's cricket. Gloucestershire were dismissed for 183, Lloyds being their top scorer with 52. He hit eight fours and was missed off Childs as soon as he came in.

When Essex batted any criticisms of the pitch were put in perspective as Stephenson and East shared an untroubled first wicket stand of 73 in 28 overs. Graveney, the Gloucestershire left-arm spinner and captain, did not bowl himself until 65 minutes elapsed. He then took three wickets before the end. Stephenson and Hardie were caught in the gully and in between he had Prichard caught behind trying to square cut.

It takes nothing away from a skilful exhibition of flight and spin by Childs to suggest that Gloucestershire did not always bat with the necessary judgement. Those who believe the modern player tends to panic mentally when the ball is turning had their view confirmed, as more than one Gloucestershire player fell to a stroke that was unnecessarily ambitious.

Childs tossed the ball high and often gave it an extra "tweak" to bring additional turn. It was by no means an unplayable pitch, as Essex showed later. For Childs, who was 35 last week, it must have been a gratifying experience to take the first eight wickets to fall against the county which released him in 1984.

Essex envisaged Childs as the successor to Ray East but three wickets costing 377 runs in four championship games last year was hardly an auspicious start. During the winter Childs had his approach run and action slightly modified both by Fred Titmus and Don Wilson, the head coach at Lord's. This year he is the leading England qualified bowler in the averages and now has 66 wickets at 17.59 each.

Childs began at the opposite end to the one he used overnight, when Gloucestershire resumed at 66 for two, there being some debate in the ranks, apparently, as to which end would prove more helpful to him. In the day's sixth over Bainbridge moved out against him, played the ball down hard and it spun back for East to bring off a stumping. Soon afterwards Childs moved back to his original end and bowled unchanged the rest of the innings.

He immediately dismissed Stovold and Tomlins in successive overs and established a stranglehold on his opponents which was never prised loose. Stovold aimed a forcing shot towards midwicket and a leading edge gave mid-off a catch. A sensible innings by Tomlins finished with a skied bat and pad catch accepted by the wicketkeeper.

Whether Gloucestershire would have reached the follow-on figure of 162 if a chance given by Lloyds had been accepted before he had scored must remain conjecture. Lloyds swept against Childs but Lilley, halfway to the long-leg boundary, was unable to hold the awkwardly swirling ball. Lloyds was also nearly caught in the gully off Pringle but went on to ride his luck. He and Curran added 37 before Curran was out after a poor piece of cricket.

Three times Curran had failed to make proper contact as he tried to pull Childs against the spin. When he succeeded a fourth time a mistimed stroke went straight to mid-off. Curran turned his back and retreated to the pavilion without looking over his shoulder to see if the catch was completed.

Gloucestershire still needed 25 to avoid the follow-on when the youthful Alleyne joined Lloyds. Alleyne batted as soundly as anyone. He hit Childs through the covers for one four and Lloyds pulled and snicked two more against Foster. Three runs were still required when Childs took the wicket of Alleyne and Graveney in three balls.

Alleyne moved out and hit across a quicker ball. Graveney pushed forward and Lilley at point managed to knock the ball up and Fletcher dived from silly mid-off to hold it. One ball remained of the over and Walsh settled the arguments whether Fletcher would or would not invoke the follow-on by on driving it for four.

Lloyds was finally caught at first slip in the last over before lunch against Foster, who thus ended Childs's chance to become the first bowler for 22 years to take all 10 wickets in a championship innings. Foster bowled Lawrence five minutes after lunch to end the innings.

ESSEX: First Innings 311 (D E East 82, P J Prichard 65; C A Walsh 6 for 83).

Second Innings

J P Stephenson c Lloyds b Graveney	29
D E East not out	55
D J Prichard c Russell b Graveney	5
B R Hardie c Curran b Graveney	7
A W Lilley not out	0
Extras	2
Total (3 wkts)	98

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-73, 2-78, 3-98.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings

P W Romaines c Prichard b Childs	22
K P Tomlins c East b Childs	43
†J C Russell c Prichard b Childs	9
P Bainbridge st East b Childs	10
A W Stovold c Acfield b Childs	9
K M Curran c Stephenson b Childs	14
J W Lloyds c Stephenson b Foster	52
M W Alleyne b Childs	7
*D A Graveney c Fletcher b Childs	0
C A Walsh not out	5
D V Lawrence b Foster	0
Extras (b 2, lb 10)	12
Total (56.3 overs)	183

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-41, 2-61, 3-78, 4-95, 5-100, 6-137, 7-159, 8-159, 9-183, 10-183.

Lever 6-2-19-0; Foster 12.3-3-53-2; Childs 22-6-58-8; Acfield 4-0-8-0; Pringle 12-2-32-0.

Bonus points: Essex 8, Gloucestershire 5.

Umpires: D Lloyd and N T Plews.

East goes for the boundary at Colchester, where he was 55 not out

Lynch keeps Surrey in hunt

By Ivo Tennant

DARTFORD: Surrey have declared their first innings 79 runs behind Kent.

An aggressive century by Monte Lynch and valuable other contributions enabled Surrey to make the kind of progress they required to further their championship ambitions. They declared 79 runs behind, putting the onus for a positive outcome on Kent.

The widely forecasted rain did not reach Dartford until five o'clock. Conveniently, Lynch had just completed his century, made in 210 minutes with 14 fours and a six, and the players stayed on long enough for Surrey to reach their fourth batting point. Surrey declared in the knowledge that more than that would be needed today.

Kent added 15 runs to their overnight total for the loss of Marsh, whose 47 included ten fours, and Ellison. Clarke took both wickets, which gave him some reward for his perseverance. Only 37 runs came off his 28 overs on a good batting pitch.

By lunch, Kent, or rather Alderman, had dismissed three Surrey batsmen. Butcher was well caught by Marsh, pushing tentatively outside off-stump. Clinton was beaten by late movement and Jesty edged to first slip: 53 for three.

It was cloudy and cool but there was not that much help for Alderman and Ellison. In the afternoon, Surrey batted considerably better and, indeed, scored their runs at quite a pace. Stewart, who made 55 and 166 against Kent last month, again looked an England batsman in the making. It is difficult enough being Peter May's godson but when your father is assistant manager of the tour to Australia ...

Lynch is always a joy to watch. Various sweeps, hooks and drives were perfectly executed. After Stewart was out, somewhat unluckily chopping a ball on, Lynch continued to pepper the boundary boards, partnered by Richards and then Thomas, who belted seven fours in an unbeaten 47.

KENT: First Innings

M R Benson b Feltham	123
N R Taylor lbw b Feltham	88
C J Tavaré lbw b Pocock	32
S G Hinks c Clarke b Feltham	2
D G Aslett b Thomas	17
*C S Cowdrey st Richards b Pocock	10
R M Ellison c Butcher b Clarke	32
†S A Marsh b Clarke	47
C S Dale not out	0
Extras (b 15, lb 2, nb 11)	28
Total (8 wkts dec)	379

Score at 100 overs: 311 for 6.

D L Underwood and T M Alderman did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-212, 2-232, 3-234, 4-269, 5-291, 6-303, 7-372, 8-379.

BOWLING: Clarke 28 1-15-37-2; Feltham 24-3-110-3; Pocock 26-7-61-2; Thomas 17-4-65-1; Butcher 6-2-27-0; Medlycott 14-3-62-0.

SURREY: First Innings

A R Butcher c Marsh b Alderman	8
G S Clinton lbw b Alderman	23
A J Stewart b Ellison	61
T E Jesty c Tavaré b Alderman	11
M A Lynch not out	119
†C J Richards c Ellison b Underwood	21
D J Thomas not out	47
Extras (lb 5, nb 5)	10
Total (5 wkts dec, 71.4 overs)	300

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-22, 2-41, 3-53, 4-149, 5-204.

BOWLING: Alderman 17-1-89-3; Ellison 15-1-61-1; Underwood 22.4-6-70-1; Dale 13-2-59-0; C S Cowdrey 4-0-16-0.

Bonus points: Kent 6, Surrey 6.

Umpires: B Dudleston and D Oslear.

Hampshire bowlers flourish

By Peter Marson

With Malcolm Marshall in the van, Hampshire's bowlers reaped a rich harvest in wickets as Worcestershire's batting failed badly in 37 overs before rain brought about an early close in mid afternoon at Dean Park, Bournemouth, yesterday. Worcestershire lost seven wickets for 88 runs in a halting advance to 104 for eight, and they begin again this morning 133 runs behind.

At Northampton, Nottinghamshire had batted on in the morning, and Hemmings, Saxelby and Afford helped add 44 runs in 11 overs before the innings closed at 328. Taking four wickets for 50 in 29 overs, Harper had been Northamptonshire's best bowler. The fast medium bowling of Fraser-Darling then proved to be too good for Geoff Cook, Larkins and Boyd-Moss, all of whom fell to Fraser-Darling as the batsmen edged forward by 31 runs. Bailey countered by playing his attacking strokes, but shortly before the first fall of rain, Northamptonshire had lost their fifth wicket, that of Wild, at 93.

When the batsmen made their return, Harper fell to a catch in the gully by Birch off Saxelby, and Fraser-Darling took his fifth wicket when Ripley fell to a catch behind. In the meantime, Bailey had made a half century off 62 balls. He was 61, and Northamptonshire 115 for seven after 38 overs when more rain fell shortly before tea.

Whitaker made 111 not out in Leicestershire's innings of 190 for four against Derbyshire at Chesterfield, yesterday. Derbyshire had declared overnight at their total of 349 for nine. By lunch, when Leicestershire came in at 67 from 34 overs for the loss of Cobb and Potter, the batsmen had had rather better luck than the bowlers. There had been rain here, too, and at lunch Leicestershire were 67 for two from 34 overs, Balderstone 24, Whitaker 13.

Yorkshire had lost Moxon in making 81 off 23 overs in the last passage at Headinghley, on Wednesday. In the morning yesterday, the advantages clearly belonged to the bowlers, and as Daniel and Hughes made the ball move around, Yorkshire's batsmen were deep in trouble. Metcalfe, made one run before falling leg before to Hughes, and he was the first of five batsmen to fall to Daniel and Hughes for the addition of 17 runs. Love inspired a recovery, though, and he had made 65 not out when Bairstow declared at 216 for eight.

Cheers for man at the Oval

By Alan Gibson

TAUNTON: Sussex, with nine first innings wickets in hand, are 267 runs behind Somerset.

Again, I was greeted in the morning by the familiar BBC announcement, that rain was spreading from the West, but again, some sun was shining through my lonely Taunton room. Again, the weather took some time to catch up with its forecast.

We had no rain until nearly lunch time. By then, against Somerset's 333, Sussex had scored 66 for 1. It was not, however, altogether a dull morning. From time to time a cheer, assisted by transistors, reminded us of the progress of Botham at the Oval.

During the afternoon the umpires still chatted between prolonged showers to go out and inspect the wicket. But at four o'clock, when it was drizzling again, admitted there was no more chance of play. So again, today, it will be up to the ingenuity of the captains if they are to contrive a finish. Fortunately, we have two ingenious men available. But no amount of ingenuity, not even from the habitat of Rutherford and Leavis, or to name a respectable Cambridge man, Bernard Manning, can prevent them spreading rain from the West, or more importantly, staying in the West.

SOMERSET: First Innings

J G Wyatt lbw b Jones	3
*P M Roebuck c Speight b C M Wells	39
N A Felton b Jones	0
I V A Richards lbw b C M Wells	41
R J Harden b Pigott	108
V J Marks c Speight b C M Wells	110
†T Gard c sub b Pigott	5
J Garner c Speight b Pigott	0
M D Harman not out	8
N S Taylor b Pigott	12
D J Foster lbw b Pigott	0
Extras (b 1, lb 2, nb 4)	7
Total	333

Score at 100 overs: 282 for 4.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-9, 2-9, 3-61, 4-108, 5-295, 6-305, 7-305, 8-315, 9-333, 10-333.

BOWLING: Jones 14-3-33-2; Pigott 27.3-4-81-5, C M Wells 31-4-77-3; Mays 28-5-78-0; Green 4-1-13-0; Lenham 2-0-13-0; Standing 12-1-35-0.

SUSSEX: First Innings

R I Alikhan b Marks	15
A M Green not out	27
*P W G Parker not out	19
Extras (nb 5)	5
Total (1 wkt, 17 overs)	66

FALL OF WICKET: 1-45.

Bonus points: Somerset 3, Sussex 1.

Umpires: C Cook and J W Holder.

Unlucky 13: Martin Crowe yields to Dilley yesterday (Photograph: Hugh Routledge)

YESTERDAY'S OTHER SCOREBOARDS

Northants v Notts

AT NORTHAMPTON

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Innings

B C Broad lbw b N G B Cook	92
M Newell b Harper	29
P Johnson c G Cook b Harper	24
*J D Birch c Wild b Harper	3
D W Randall c Ripley b Walker	5
†C W Scott lbw b Harper	40
C Fraser-Darling b Walker	61
K P Evans c Bailey b Mallender	1
E E Hemmings lbw b Capel	31
K Saxelby not out	16
J A Afford lbw b Capel	4
Extras (b 4, lb 7, w 1, nb 10)	22
Total	328

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-77, 2-108, 3-125, 4-137, 5-178, 6-231, 7-264, 8-284, 9-320, 10-328.

BOWLING: Mallender 25-4-81-1; Capel 31.5-9-84-2; Walker 22-6-55-2; Wild 4-0-21-0; Harper 29-12-50-4; N G B Cook 13-5-26-1.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings

*G Cook c Birch b Fraser-Darling	3
W Larkins c Evans b Fraser-Darling	2
R J Boyd-Moss lbw b Fraser-Darling	9
R J Bailey not out	67
D J Capel b Saxelby	17
D J Wild c and b Fraser-Darling	12
R A Harper c Birch b Saxelby	4
†D Ripley c Scott b Fraser-Darling	1
N G B Cook not out	10
Extras (b 4, lb 5, w 1, nb 3)	13
Total (7 wkts, 50 overs)	158

N A Mallender and A Walker to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-4, 2-8, 3-31, 4-86, 5-93, 6-98, 7-112.

Bonus points: Northamptonshire 4, Nottinghamshire 5.

Umpires: J H Hampshire and R A White.

Yorks v Middlesex

AT HEADINGLEY

MIDDLESEX: First Innings 252 (W N Slack 105 not out; S J Dennis 5 for 71, S D Fletcher 5 for 90)

YORKSHIRE: First Innings

M D Moxon c Carr b Daniel	5
A A Metcalfe lbw b Hughes	39
S N Hartley b Daniel	39
P E Robinson c Carr b Hughes	0
J D Love not out	65
P Carrick lbw b Daniel	5
I G Swallow c Downton b Hughes	0
*†D L Bairstow lbw b Hughes	42
S J Dennis c Daniel b Rose	4
C Shaw not out	7
Extras (b 2, lb 5, nb 3)	10
Total (8 wkts dec, 69 overs)	216

S D Fletcher did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-14, 2-84, 3-88, 4-92, 5-97, 6-98, 7-193, 8-208.

BOWLING: Daniel 17-5-33-3; Hughes 34-10-92-4; Rose 18-2-84-1.

Bonus points: Yorkshire 6, Middlesex 6.

Umpires: J A Jameson and R Julian.

Minor Counties

TORQUAY: Cornwall 185 (E G Willcock 73; P G Confidine five for 81) and 13 for one: Devon 151 for four dec (N R Gaywood 77) Match drawn.

Lancashire v Glam

AT LYTHAM

LANCASHIRE: First Innings 192 (J Abrahams 99).

GLAMORGAN: First Innings

*H Morris c Chadwick b Makinson	0
J A Hopkins c Simmons b Folley	36
A L Jones lbw b Simmonds	35
G C Holmes c Chadwick b Simmons	19
M P Maynard b Folley	4
R C Ontong c and b Simmons	28
J Derrick c sub b Folley	0
†T Davies lbw b Folley	14
P D North not out	17
S R Barwick not out	3
Extras (b 1, lb 6, w 1)	8
Total (8 wkts, 67 overs)	164

D J Hickey to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-70, 3-94, 4-94, 5-114, 6-114, 7-144, 8-144.

Bonus points: Glamorgan 5, Lancashire 4, to date.

Umpires: B J Meyer and R Palmer.

Hampshire v Worcs

AT BOURNEMOUTH

HAMPSHIRE: First Innings 237 (V P Terry 74; P J Newport 5 for 74).

WORCESTERSHIRE: First Innings

L K Smith c Parks b Marshall	2
T S Curtis b James	33
S M McEwan c Terry b Marshall	7
G S Hick c Parks b Marshall	0
D B D'Oliveira c James b Connor	8
*P A Neale c Terry b Maru	6
D N Patel c Parks b James	28
M J Weston not out	7
†S J Rhodes c Parks b Maru	5
P J Newport not out	0
Extras (lb 4, nb 4)	8
Total (8 wkts, 47 overs)	104

A P Pridgeon to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-4, 2-16, 3-16, 4-29, 5-45, 6-85, 7-92, 8-103.

Bonus points: Hampshire 5, Worcestershire 4.

Umpires: M J Kitchen and K J Lyons.

Derbyshire v Leics

AT CHESTERFIELD

DERBYSHIRE: First Innings 378 for 9 dec (A E Warner 91, J E Morris 62, A Hill 55; BOWLING: Taylor 24-7-57-3; De Freitas 31-6-100-2; Benjamin 20-2-70-0; Agnew 34-8-133-3; Potter 1-0-4-0).

LEICESTERSHIRE: First Innings

*J C Balderstone c Maher b Mortensen	29
R A Cobb c Barnett b Finney	24
L Potter lbw b Finney	1
J J Whitaker not out	111
T J Boon b Warner	6
P Bowler not out	7
Extras (b 2, lb 4, w 1, nb 5)	12
Total (4 wkts, 70 overs)	190

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-39, 2-51, 3-121, 4-162.

Second XI

HINCKLEY: Leicestershire 60 (C F B D Rudd five for 14) and 168 (Rudd four for 59). Derbyshire 145 (M I Gidley five for 59, N J Pringle four for 19) and 84 for one. Derbyshire won by nine wickets.

YACHTING

Night life a trial on the ocean wave

By Barry Pickthall

Twenty-six crews competing in the Threequarter Ton Cup at Torquay faced a miserable night at sea last night, the discomfort of sitting on the weather rail to help balance their yachts made worse by a cold south-westerly wind and driving rain that would have ensured all were chilled to the bone by midnight.

They are competing in the 133-mile short offshore race which carries one and a half points towards the world championship but few relished the prospect when this fourth heat finally got under way at the third attempt yesterday morning.

"It's enough to make me want to take up caravaning as a sport," Graham Walker, skipper of the British yacht Indulgence, the points leader, said of the prospect and by this morning others will be wanting to agree with him.

There was a time when racing yachts were designed for living on board and overnight races were a pleasure but today the rules favour lightweight day boats, not the crews that have to sail them.

Mike Peackock's Juno, steered by Andrew Hurst, got the best of the start yesterday but halfway up the beach Niels Jeppeson's Danish challenger Frontrunner, Indulgence and Decosol, skippered by Robert Bottomley, which so far have made this series their own, were fighting off a challenge from the German yacht Flurschaden for the lead at the initial weather mark.

In the end Frontrunner lived up to her name, edging out Indulgence by a two-second margin, followed by Flurschaden and Decosol, and this group were last seen disappearing into the first rain squall as they led the fleet on a tight fetch towards the Skerries buoy off Start Point.

Brazilians finding their form

Neal Freeman, disqualified by the Arun Yacht Club protest committee for hitting a mark during the fourth race of the Laser UK championships, left the first two places to Peter Tanscheit and Ricardo London, of Brazil, both of whom are beginning to show form after coming to terms with British conditions and gate starts (a Special Correspondent writes).

The fifth race of the series was sailed in a dying south-west force 3, the 190-boat fleet showing considerably more discipline after the previous day's multiple protests. Chris Bridle led to the first mark followed by Peter Thorid, of Sweden, but by the end of the first lap Frank Bleyer from West Germany led the fleet to finish first.

Peter Tanscheit improved from fifth to second, a sufficiently good position to give him the overall championship lead ahead of Andrew Brown, the former leader, with only one race to be sailed.

RESULTS: (provisional): 1, F Bleyer (WG) 121715; 2, P Tanscheit (Bra) 787; 3, M Budd (Mowtos YC) 126124; 4, N Wilson (Holy Lock) 122413.

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Garcia shows his authority

With the wind rising to a good force four and in driving rain, Xavier Garcia (Spain), the reigning world champion, had to fight hard to record his second win of the week, in race five of the International Optimist Dinghy championships sailed on Plymouth Sound from the Mayflower Sailing Club (a Special Correspondent writes). The powerful Spanish contingent relished the stronger winds, but Tony Gunstone (Bewl Valley SC) held Garcia all the way to finish a second, with Richard Pye (Draycote Water SC), another British helm, third.

In race six, sailed immediately afterwards, and again in heavy rain, Garcia asserted his skill and sailed right away from the fleet.

RESULTS: Fifth race: 1, X Garcia (Sp); 2, T Gunstone (Bewl Valley SC); 3, R Pye (Dracote Water SC); 4, M Perez (Sp); 5, A Clay (Dracote Water SC); 6, P Subirats (Sp). Sixth race: 1, Garcia; 2, Subirats; 3, Pye; 4, Clay; 5, F Blencke (Bewl Valley SC); 6, D Baker (Frampton SC). Overall: 1, Gunstone 9pts; 2, Pye 25.8; 3 Garcia 27.

TENNIS

Crisis building up over pension plan for players

By Richard Evans

Harold Solomon, one of the most militant and experienced members of the Association of Tennis Professionals board of directors, was still denying yesterday that the rumoured sacking of Mike Davies, executive director, was a fait accompli.

Nevertheless, there is no doubt that men's professional tennis is heading for what could turn into the biggest crisis since the ATP boycott of Wimbledon in 1973.

The issue, which was first revealed in these columns as long ago as last January, centres on the players' demand for Grand Slam funding for a proposed pension plan. In other words, the ATP wants some of the huge profits being realized at Wimbledon, the French and US Opens and, to a much lesser extent the Australian Open, to be put towards a pension fund for all those lesser players who do not become Becker and Borg-style millionaires.

"This is not an attempt to make rich players richer" said Matt Doyle, the low-ranked Irish American who was re-elected to the ATP presidency at a meeting in Cincinatti this week. "But we insist that it is perfectly reasonable for the big championships which rely on the rank and file to make up their 128-man draws to contribute towards their future security."

Davies' job has been put in jeopardy because, in the view of Solomon, Ray Moore, Mike Estep and Doyle, the former British Number One has not been sufficiently hard-nosed with the Grand Slam tournament chairman over the pension issue. In particular there was unhappiness at his performance when Doyle and three other members of his board lunched with Buzzer Hadingham, the All England club chairman, during Wimbledon. Like his other Grand Slam colleagues, Hadingham has been unmoved by the ATP demands.

As Solomon, in cahoots with Cliff Drysdale, was responsible for ousting Butch Buchholz, Davies' predecessor, there is no doubt about the Board's ability to get rid of people who do not do their bidding.

However, in Davies' case there are practical problems such as his \$150,000 (£98,000) a year contract which still has 18 months to run and the fact that he is chairman of the Pro Council. Davies was elected chairman of the nine-man governing body, of which three seats are held by ATP members, last year and can legally remain in the chair until mid-1987.

The word "boycott" has not been part of the ATP lexicon after the upheaval caused in 1973 but there are now dark rumours circulating about the threat to down rackets on the middle Sunday of the US Open which starts in New York next Tuesday.

If nothing else the very suggestion of a boycott will bring home to Randy Gregson, the USTA president and the other Grand Slam chairman, that the ATP are very serious on this issue and that their wishes are not totally unreasonable. Whether or not Davies survives to lead the fight, one thing seems certain: Boris Becker's booming serve is not going to be the only explosive sound in the game in the coming weeks.

MASON, Ohio: ATP Championship: Second round: M Wilander (Swe) bt M Leach (US) [illegible] J Connors bt M Steeger [illegible] S Edberg (Swe) bt S Davis (US) [illegible] J Nystrom (Swe) bt D Mee (SA) [illegible] M Pernfors (Swe) bt G Holmes (US) [illegible] E Sanchez (Sp) bt C Steyn (SA) [illegible] K Carlsson (Swe) bt [illegible] J Arias (US) bt J Sadri (US) [illegible] C van Rensburg (SA) bt M Anger (US) [illegible] T Wilkison (US) bt J Brown (US) [illegible] K Curren (US) bt R Seguso (US) [illegible] D Pate (US) bt S Casal (Sp) [illegible] H de la Pena (Arg) bt H Solomon (US) [illegible] J Gunnarsson (Swe) bt L Lavalle (Mex) [illegible] D Perez (Ur) bt M Freeman (US) 6-4 6-0 J Canter (US) bt M Purcell (US) 6-4 7-6.

MAHWAH, New Jersey: United Jersey Bank Classic women's tournament: Second round: M Gurney (US) bt P Medrado (Bri) 6-3 4-6 6-2; R White (US) bt S Mascarin (US) 6-4 [illegible] 6-2; Sara Gomer (GB) bt [illegible] (US) 6-3 3-6 6-2; A Moulton (US) bt [illegible] 6-2 6-2; J Durie (GB) bt M Paz (Arg) [illegible]; D Balestrat (Aus) bt C Johansson (Swe) 6-4 6-2; N Van Nostrand (US) bt A Temesvari (Hun) 3-0 ret; C Tanvier (Fr) bt N Tauziat (Fr) [illegible] 6-2; H Sukova (Cz) bt D Van Rensburg (SA) 6-0 6-1; E Reinach (SA) bt K Rinaldi (US) [illegible].

BOWLS

Thomson trimmed by persistant Hedges

By Gordon Allen

Roy Hedges, of Bristol beat Andy Thomson, the 1981 champion at 21-5 in the second round of the Gateway English Bowling Association singles as the rain set in at Worthing yesterday. Thomson has not been having a good year — remember the Commonwealth Games? — and Hedges is as shrewdly persistant a player as can be found anywhere.

Hedges, an indoor international in the seventies, gained early control of the mat and never lost it. He preferred a medium length but bowled well enough to a four length jack on the odd occasion it was required. In fact, he gained his two winning shots when he trailed a maximum jack. The previous end had been tied — a comparative rarity in singles.

Cliff Simpson who won the pairs title on Wednesday lost 21-19 to David Taylor of Carlisle. Simpson scored three shots to lead Taylor 19-18, but Taylor scored three on the next end to win. Simpson, who maintains he does not care for the singles game, last qualified for Worthing in 1979 when he went out in the first round.

Wynne Richards, the 1983 champion, advanced to the first round beating Simon Davies (Welford on Avon) 21-15 and Jock Latto, who played for England 30 years ago, 21-11. Tony Allcock, another leading light, beat Steve Halmai 21-9 and Dave Kemp (Bacton Stowmarket) 21-12. Kemp plays the Federation code and so does Brian Thorpe, of Otley, a village near Ipswich. Thorpe led Dave Rutter, a Cambridgeshire player from Christchurch 17-7, but the rest of the match turned into the victory procession by Rutter to win 21-19.

Eric Parsons, who played on the wing for Chelsea when they won the league championship in 1953, had two wins on his home green: 21-19 over Mike Shingfield, of Norfolk, and 21-9 over Jim Simmonds, of Northamptonshire. Keith Hawes, whose wife Lorraine plays for England, and Alan Jeffery, from the Isle of Wight, made solid progress to beat Tony Holliday 21-15.

RESULTS: First round: D McCathie (Essex County) 22, K Maddocks (Derby West End), 8; P Towers (Liskeard) 22, T Andrews (Ampthill, Beds) 15, A Jeffery (Shanklin, IOW) 22, W C Jones (Hereford) 11; A Holliday (Eltham, Kent) 21, T Emmons (Tesco, Herts), 2; E Parsons (Worthing) 21, M Shingfield (Hingham, Rec, Norfolk), 19, J Simmonds (Thrapston, Northants) 22, A Ratcliffe (Winscombe, Somerset), 8, D Denison (Newton Abbot) 21, K Davies (Ramsworth, Notts) 17; D Holt (Bolton, Lancs) 21, P McGuinness (Denham, Bucks) 7, A Allcock (Cheltenham) 21, S Halmai (Paddington, Middx), 9; D Kemp (Bacton, Suffolk) 22, D Dawson (Albert Park, Yorks) 8, W Richards (Mid Surrey) 21, S Davies (Welford on Avon) 15, B Thorpe (Otley, Suffolk) 22, M Powell (Hereford) 6, D Rutter (Christchurch, Cams) 21, T Chapman (Hemingford, Hunts) 10, L East (Desborough, Berks) 21, J Southgate (Newmarket Ave, Cams), 16; G Burgess (County Ground, Worcs) 21, P Sinden (Wessex, Dorset), 17; P Metcalfe (Swinton, Yorks) 21, B Wickson (Press Steel Fisher, Oxon), 17, D Shearer (Kent AThletics, Beds) 22, P Butler (Southbourne, Sussex), 13; A Thomson (Blackheath and Greenwich, Kent) 21, J Garrett (Sphinx, Warwicks), 8; R Hedges (Bristol Somerset) 21, C Baker (Cowes, Medina IOW), 19; M Hughes (Syston, Leics) 21, T Wilson (Felling Social, Durham), 20; R Robertson (Monks Road WMC, Lincs) 21, M Stratton (Perkins Engines, Hunts), 18; A Smith (Ardagh, Gloucs) 21, J Searle (Greenhill, Dorset), 18; A Nimmo (Tye Green, Essex) 21, R Burch (Madeira, Devon), 18, S Ogilvie (St Georges Hosp, Northumb) 21, R Bennett (Loughborough, Leics), 8; P Hobday (Alexandra, Hants) 21, E Rawcliffe (Southport, Lancs), 15, E Dayus (Worcs Coop) 21, D Hall (NPL, Middx), 9; A Moore (Spencers, Melksham, Wilts) 21, L Richardson (Aylesbury Town, Bucks), 17; K Hawes (Bracknell, Berks) 21 P Goulding (Plessey, Notts), 12; J Hopkinson (Alfreton Traders, Derby) 21, J Worsdale (Roebuck, Herts), 9; C Sompson (Owton Lodge, Durham) 21, H G Roach (Stenalees, Cornwall), 9; D Taylor (BR, Cumbria) 21, A Baily (Maul Carr, Spalding), 12. Second round: Towers 21, McCathie 19; Jeffery 21, Holliday 15, Burgess 21, East 9; Parsons 21, Simmonds 9; Denison 21, Holt 8, Allcock 21, Kemp 12; Richards 21, Latto 11, Robertson 21, Hughes 13, Rutter 21, Thorpe 19; Metcalfe 21, Smith 17; Nimmo 21, Shearer 13; Hedges 21, Thomson 5; Ogilvie 21, Hobday 17; Moore 21, Dayus 7, Hawes 21, Hopkinson 15; Taylor 21, Simpson 19

FOR THE RECORD

FOOTBALL

INTERNATIONAL MATCHES: Finland 1, East Germany 0; Sweden 0, Soviet Union 0.

INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENTS: Barcelona: Final: Barcelona 1, PSV Eindhoven 0 Third place play-off: Tottenham Hotspur 2 (Falco, Mabbutt), AC Milan 1. Zurich: Final: Zurich Grasshoppers 3, AS Roma 1. Play-off for third place: Bayern Munich 1, Rummenee 0

EXHIBITION MATCH: Botafogo (Br) 0, Napoli 0

CZECHOSLOVAK LEAGUE: Plastika Nitra 2, Bohemians Prague 3; Dukla Prague 0, Sparta Prague 5, Banik Ostrava 4, Tatran Presov 1; Slavia Prague 2, ZVL Zilina 0; RH Cheb 2, DAC Dunajska Streda 1; Dynamo Ceske Budejovice 1, Spartak Trnava 0; Sigma Olomouc 1, Dukla Banska Bystrica 2, Skoda Pizen 1, TJ Vitkovice 1

SKOL CUP: Second round: Aberdeen 4, Alloa 0, Albion 2, Forfar 2 (aet, score after 90 minutes 1-1, Forfar won 3-1 on penalties); Celtic 2, Airdrie 0; Clydebank 3, St Johnstone 0, Dumbarton 1, Stirling 0; Dunfermline 0, St Mirren 2; Hibernian 1, East Stirling 0; Kilmarnock 1, Ayr 2, Morton 2, Dundee 5 (aet, score after 90 minutes 2-2), Motherwell 4, Arbroath 0; Partick 0, East Fife 1; Queen of the South 0, Dundee United 1; Stenhousemuir 1, Rangers 4

OTHER MATCH: Nottingham Forest 0 Moscow Torpedo 1

IRISH LEAGUE: Glentoran 0, Royal Ulster Constabulary 0.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Bill Dellow Cup: First round: Alvechurch 1, Redditch 1; Cambridge City 1, Chelmsford 1; Dunstable 0, Woodford 0; Mile Oak 2, Sutton Coldfield 1; Shepshed Charterhouse 1, VS Rugby 0

VAUXHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Second division north: Collier Row 1, Aveley 1. Second division south: Feltham 8, Molesey 0, Petersfield 2, Horsham 7, Ruislip Manor 2, Southall 1

LONDON SPARTAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Edgware 2, Hanwell 1, Pennant 2, Southgate 0

HALLS HELLENIC LEAGUE: Premier division: Abingdon United 3, Thame 0, Fairford 5, Pegasus Juniors 3, Hounslow 1, Rayners Lane 0; Moreton 1, Abingdon Town 2, Morris Motors 3, Bicester 0, Supermarine 0, Shotwood 3, Wallingford 1, Viking Sports 2; Wantage 1, Penhill 2.

GM VAUXHALL CONFERENCE: Kettering Town 2, Bath 0, Maidstone United 1, Wealdstone 0, Northwich 1, Frickley 1, Scarborough 0, Boston 0

MULTIPART LEAGUE: Bangor City 3, Witton 1, Rhyl 0, Southport 0, South Liverpool 1, Morecambe 1, Workington 0, Horwich 0; Worksop 0, Gainsborough 4

JAKARTA: Independence Cup: Final: Algeria 1, Indonesia 0.

SUSSEX COUNTY LEAGUE: First division: Peacehaven and Telscombe 1, Eastbourne Town 1, Shoreham 0, Littlehampton 0

SWIMMING

MADRID: World Championships: Women's platform, preliminary round (top 12 qualify for final): 1, Lin Chen (China) 414.90; 2, A Lobankina (USSR) 408.24; 3, W Wyland (US) 405.57, 4, M Mitchell (US) 399.36, 5, I Kovacs (Hun) 385.77, 6, A Stasulevich (USSR) 381.60; 7 Lu Wei (China) 372.48, 8, V Beddoe (Aus) 371.49; 9 K Inselmann (EG) 367.44, 10 B Meyer (EG) 363.72; 11 H Novotna (Cz) 358.44, 12, D Fuller (Can) 356.61. GB placings: 17, C Roscoe 340.50; 24, R Sparks 306.69. Women's water polo: Final round: US bt West Germany 13-3, Netherlands bt Hungary 11-6; Australia bt Canada 9-6. Play-off for seventh to ninth places: Norway bt Belgium 10-9

(Qualifiers for finals): Men: 400 meters freestyle: R Henkel (WG) 3min 52.98sec, K Boyd (GB) 3 53.10; D Jorgensen (US) 3 53.61, V Salnikov (USSR) 3:53.62; F Iacono (Fr) 3:53.76, U Dassler (EG) 3:54.72; Sven Lodziewski (EG) 3:54.79, P Anders Holmertz (Swe) 3:55.14. Non-qualifiers included: T Day (GB) 3:59.47; M Melar (Ire) 4:12.92. 200 meters breaststroke: J Szabo (Hun) 2min 17.30sec, S Bentley (US) 2.17.88; V Davis (Can) 2.18.45, T Pais (Fr) 2.19.16; A Yokochi (Port) 2:19.27, P Restrepo (Col) 2:19.58, A Moorhouse (GB) 2 19.60; H Wedekind (WG) 2:20.11. 4 x 100 meters freestyle relay: East Germany 3:21.44, US 3:22.23, West Germany 3 22.34, Soviet Union 3:23.05, Sweden 3:23.12, Australia 3:23.38, Netherlands 3:23.55; France 3:24.29. Women: 100 meters breaststroke: T Bogomilova (Bul) 1:08.77 (world championship record), S Hoerner (EG) 1 09.46; S Gerasch (EG) 1 10.35; I Lempereur (Bel) 1:10.82, A Higson (Can) 1.11.15, M dal Valle (It) 1 11.57, J Hau (US) 1.11.83, C Ouropuu (Can) 1 11.90. 800 meters qualifiers: K Hartmann (EG) 8.36.99, S Hardcastle (GB) 8 37.45; D Babashoff (US) 8.39.59, A Strauss (EG) 8.39.62, J McDonald (Aus) 8 44.85, S Pura (Rom) 8 46.48, J van for Meer (Neth) 8 46.67, T Bruce (US) 8 48.55

SPEEDWAY

BRITISH LEAGUE: Reading 36, Wolverhampton 42

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Long Eaton 45, Exeter 32; Wimbledon 44, Rye House 32.

EQUESTRIANISM

WESTON: Pony Club National Championship: Dunlop Dressage Championship: 1 North Warks 870, 2 New Forest 860, 3 Wylye Valley 844. Junior individuals: 1 M Priest (South Durham) 783, 2 C Bowley (Quorn) 758, 3, C Othen (New Forest) 755. Townsend Thoresen Showjumping Championships: Meynell won by 3 of a second from the Limerick after a double clear round followed by a jump off. 3 West Kent Meopham 3 penalties. Horsemanship team award: Meynell, individual: C Brown (Meynell). Senior individual champion: S Kollard (Grove Hunt) 51 pts

GLIDING

DUNSTABLE: Day four, task 298.4km triangle to Banbury and Bury St Edmunds (39 starters, 38 finishers) 1, A Davis Discus 97 19kph 1000pts, 2, B Benoist DG300 94 49kph 959pts 3, C Garton, Discus 92 39kph 927pts 4 S White Pegasus 101 91 93kph 920pts, 5 M Wells LS4 91 0kph 907pts. Overall: 1, Watt 2494 2 White 2463 3 Wells 2421, 4, Campbell 2316 5 G Metcalfe 2301

HORSE TRIALS

JAGUAR PONY CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP: Team results: 1, North Warwickshire 150.5 (J Scott, S Penn, C Boardman, T Reeve) 2, N Hereford, 161.5; 3 Vale of Aylesbury, 199; 4, Iveagh, 206.5, 5, Brocklesby, 207.5 6 Newmarket and Thurlow, 208.5. Junior individual championship: Winners: Section A: T Reeves (N Warwicks), 43.5. Section B: K Wybrew (Chiddingfold Farmers), 42.5 Section C: S Penn (N Warwicks), 45.5 Section D: B Cubitt (Bicester), 49

Old parade

The leading 16 Welsh clubs take part in the Snelling Sevens tournament at the Rodney Parade ground, Newport tomorrow. Newport, who won the trophy last year for a record tenth time, have a first-round tie against their old rivals, Cardiff.

Arsenal expect a return to the good times as yesterday's hero faces his toughest challenge

Cautious Graham will build for the future

The League Championship was last won by a London club 15 years ago when Arsenal clinched the League and FA Cup double. In the last of a four-part series David Miller talks to the man whose task is to bring the title back to Highbury.

Put yourself to the test. Try to recall the names of the Arsenal team which won the League Championship and FA Cup double 15 years ago — the last time the club won the League title. Unless you are an Arsenal supporter, it is probable that you can better remember those of the Spurs team which achieved the same feat 10 years earlier. Arsenal were not a widely loved team, for the reason that they were built around efficiency rather than entertainment.

On the evening after the World Cup Final in 1966, I chanced to meet Bertie Mee in a West End hotel and asked his opinion of the match. He had just succeeded Billy Wright at Highbury. "Not a bad spectators' match," he said a shade dismissively, as if to suggest he would not be designing his team exclusively for the benefit of the Highbury season ticket holders. We were moving into the era of functionalism, of 4-3-3 formations.

When Arsenal clinched the double at Wembley, coming from behind in extra-time against Liverpool to win with a memorable goal from Charlie George, their formation was Wilson in goal, a rearguard of Rice, McLintock, Simpson and McNab behind a midfield of Storey (replaced by Kelly), Graham, George and Armstrong, with Radford and Kennedy as the front runners. And the man of the match? It was that elegantly precise Jeeves of the turf, who delivered the ball to his colleagues on a silver salver, George Graham. It is to Graham that the club has now turned for a manager in the hope of recapturing that championship which has eluded London clubs since they themselves last won it.

"The fact is," Graham reflects with a wry smile, "that if Arsenal had a bad match, I was usually the one who was dropped. It happened to me at most clubs!" While Storey went around mugging the opposition and George was the erratic darling of the terraces, Graham was the calm, intelligent voice of the team.

It tends to be overlooked that Graham scored a goal every other game in 72 appearances with Chelsea and then 60 goals in his 227 matches for Arsenal. Subsequently he moved to Manchester United, Portsmouth and Crystal Palace. It was, coincidentally, with Palace under the management of Terry Venables, who was controversially linked with the Arsenal vacancy after the dismissal of Don Howe last spring, that Graham's managerial ideas took shape. Venables reinforced the opinion that it was not necessary to have famous names to play effective football.

"If you look at the Arsenal side of '71 and the Everton team that won the League two years ago," Graham says, "you find that neither of them had more than three players who at that time had international caps."

He likes to think that he will justify his somewhat surprising appointment, having arrived back at Highbury after three-and-a-half years of steady but relatively unpropitious management of inner-city Millwall, in the manner of Howard Kendall: a similarly studious former midfield player who went to Everton from the second division with Blackburn. Graham took Millwall from near-relegation in the third division to ninth last season in the second.

With Millwall, he says, he learned to organize and delegate. "Without being pushy, I think I'm ready for the job at Highbury. The media have built up the pressure that's now on me and I admit I thought Arsenal would go for someone bigger. I didn't think I had any chance, but there are not a lot of managers around with a track record."

Alex Ferguson was offered the post, I understand, but was at the time unsure about his own intentions. It could be seen as a sign of Graham's temperamental stability that, with all the expectation which he inevitably now shoulders, he has so far not bought a single player, eschewing the common display of instant action.

Cup of joy: Graham (left) joins the celebrations after Arsenal's 1971 FA Cup win

Efficiency must come first

Again he refers to Kendall and the initial inexpensive purchase at Everton of men such as Van den Hauwe, Reid, Sheedy and Sharp.

"Eventually, it will be *my* squad at Highbury," he says, "but for the moment I'll wait to see how things develop.

"It's an old adage that when a club is not getting where it wants, either the manager goes or the players go. I've great respect for Don Howe, having played for him, but a change of personality and ideas may itself produce a difference. Like him, I aim to be a coaching manager."

Where, everyone will want to know, will Graham place the balance between functionalism and entertainment? He is unhesitating.

"The first quality in a team has to be efficiency," he says. "After establishing that, you hope to add flair. There is a limited future for a club as big as Arsenal being attractive but in the middle of the table. I agree that in '71 we were not always attractive but the team had all the qualities that foreign teams admire about the British, fitness, resilience and the will to win, qualities which make our televised football so popular with other countries. My job is to find the ball-playing qualities to add to that."

The alternative policy to Graham's, of course, is to find attractive players and make them efficient, but there are not too many talented players available. His prediction will sound to some like a formula for the same Highbury pattern but Graham is optimistic that he has inherited some good young players: such as Adams, a central defender who may keep Caton out of the team — "He'll be better in time than Butcher" — and Quinn, a big Dublin boy, in attack.

This will be, I suspect, a make or break autumn at Highbury for Rix and Williams in midfield. Rix should have matured after replacing Brooking in the 1982 World Cup side — but did not. Williams has to prove he can adapt to Graham's new directions, but his temperament does not suggest he will.

For the moment, there is always Nicholas. "He made his reputation with Celtic up front and that's where he will be now," Graham says. "He has not anywhere near fulfilled his reputation." If Nicholas can do that, it will help make Graham's reputation but the new manager will not panic.

"I don't think the directors are impatient enough to be putting any sort of time limit on me," Graham says. "Of course I'll get stick while I'm building. But I'm not going to rush." More famous managers than he have taken the same objective approach. It will be an exceptional achievement if he can shift some of the power in the game back to the south.

The big gun: George Graham — out to make his name in the hallway of fame

SWIMMING

Gold and silver again for Chinese

Madrid (Reuter) — China extended their remarkable run of success in the diving events at the world swimming championships yesterday by taking the gold and silver medals in the women's highboard competition.

Chen Lin, a 16 year-old Peking schoolgirl, outclassed the field to win the gold ahead of Lu Wei, her compatriot, with Wendy Wyland, of the United States, the defending champion, and Olympic bronze medal winner, third. The result gave China a clean sweep of the women's diving after the springboard 1-2 of Gao Min and Li Yihua earlier in the week.

Chen led throughout the competition, apart from on the first round when she chose to perform one of the simpler compulsory dives. On three of her eight dives, Chen performed superb three-and-a-half somersaults and her total of 449.67 points gave her a 27-point winning margin.

Wyland began the final round in fifth place, trailing Alla Lobankina and Anzhela Stasulevich, of the Soviet Union, as well as the two Chinese. The American champion had long since been forced to concede that her title was heading East, but she vaulted into bronze-medal position with an excellent back two-and-a-half somersault dive while her Soviet rivals faltered.

Stasulevich, never out of the top four all afternoon and third from round five onwards, fluffed her final effort and slipped to fifth. Sixth place went to Kerstin Inselmann, aged 15, of East Germany, with Ildiko Kovacs, of Hungary, seventh and Michele Mitchell, the Olympic silver medal winner, of the United States, eighth. Mitchell never recovered from a disastrous sixth dive, when she flopped into the water to record the day's lowest score of just 24.3 points.

The race swimmers resumed battle after Wednesday's rest day and there was a psychological boost for Rainer Henkel, of West Germany, when he beat Vladimir Salnikov, the defending Soviet champion, in the heats of the 400 metres freestyle.

Henkel, fastest man at the distance this year, won the final heat in 3 minutes 52.98 seconds, beating the Soviet veteran by 0.64 seconds. But both qualified easily for tonight's final in which Salnikov, who is 26, will attempt to win the title an unprecedented three times in a row.

Salnikov was fourth fastest overall behind Henkel, Kevin Boyd, of Britain (3:53.10) and Dan Joergensen, of the United States (3:53.61). Boyd's time beat Andy Astbury's British record of 3:53.29.

Adrian Moorhouse, Boyd's team captain, disqualified in the 100 metres breaststroke final after touching first — he was judged to have used an illegal turn — cut it fine in the 200 metres qualifying heat. He made sure he was fully within the rules yesterday but had to settle for second place in his heat in 2:19.60 behind Alexandre Yokochi, of Portugal, and seventh overall of the eight qualifiers.

Mary Meagher, the world record-holder, made an uncertain start to her 100 metres butterfly title defence when she was beaten in her heat by Catherine Plewinski, of France and qualified fourth overall. Jenna Johnson, a fellow American 100 metres freestyle silver medal winner, led qualifiers in 1:00.48. Meagher clocked 1:01.00 while Kristin Otto, of East Germany, the 100 metres freestyle gold medal winner, also made the final in 1:01.54.

Tania Bogomilova, of Bulgaria, set a world championship record of 1:08.77 in the women's 100 metres breast stroke heats to take top qualifying place ahead of Silke Hoerner, of East Germany, who beat her to the gold medal in a superb duel in the 200 final on Monday. The time beat the 1:09.14 championship best set by Ute Geweniger, of East Germany, in 1982. Hoerner (1:09.46) and Sylvia Gerasch, also of East Germany, (1:10.35), the world record-holder, were second and third overall.

FOOTBALL

Welsh 'misunderstanding' over £3m Rush cover

Liverpool are asking the Welsh Football Association to provide insurance cover of £3 million when Ian Rush, their star forward, plays international games. But the club's chief executive, Peter Robinson, has acted quickly to clear up a "misunderstanding" — that the cover was for temporary as well as permanent injury.

Alun Evans, the Welsh FA secretary, said in Cardiff yesterday that he was concerned that the governing body's insurance brokers would have to pay out £3 million per week in the event of Rush being injured playing for Wales. He claimed that a letter from Liverpool gave the impression that the cover was required for "permanent and temporary disablement".

Mr Robinson said: "We received a letter from the Welsh FA asking us for the transfer value of Ian Rush and we have quoted a figure of about £3 million. There is no question of them paying us £3 million a week as cover if Rush is injured — it's all a misunderstanding."

This will come as a big relief to the hard-up Welsh FA, who are facing large insurance premiums for stars of the calibre of Rush, who is on loan to Liverpool from Juventus, Barcelona's Mark Hughes and Everton's Neville Southall.

● Manchester City have agreed to pay Birmingham City £120,000 for Richard Hopkins. The winger will make his debut tomorrow against Wimbledon, the first division newcomers, at Maine Road.

● Luton Town's goalkeeper, Andy Dibble, yesterday asked to be put on the transfer list because he is unhappy at being out of their first division team. "I think I can play for Wales if I am in regular League football and being in the reserves is no good to me," said Dibble, who cost Luton £150,000 from Cardiff two years ago. His request will be considered by Luton directors.

● Charlton Athletic and Sheffield Wednesday, who meet tomorrow at Selhurst Park, yesterday agreed to cut out the middle men in the move of Peter Shirtliff from Wednesday to Charlton. The clubs were poised to let an independent tribunal settle the fee but today they agreed a price of £125,000 for the full back, so they will not need the tribunal.

Shirtliff will make his Charlton debut against his former club but Bob Bolder, the former Wednesday goalkeeper, is likely to have to wait for his first match for Charlton. Alan Curbishley will miss the match — which marks Charlton's return to the first division after 29 years — because he has not recovered from an achilles tendon injury.

● Stoke City reported a loss of £126,000 for last season at their annual meeting despite cash injection of over £400,000 from the club's directors. Sandy Clubb, the City chairman, said that directors pumped £410,000 into the club to keep it afloat as it was hit by falling attendances following relegation from the first division. "Without the generosity of the directors we would likely have collapsed," he admitted.

Geoff Manning, the club director, said yesterday that football had been through a bad patch but the future looked encouraging. "We were caught up in the general decline of football," he said.

● Brighton, of the second division, have launched a fund-raising club, the money from which will be used for team strengthing. It will be limited to 2,500 members, paying £104 per year each for the chance of winning cash prizes, cars and holidays.

GOLF

Robertson hoping to bow out in style

By John Hennessy

The British women's strokeplay championship, to be held at Blairgowrie from today until Sunday, has taken on the character of a celebration, since six members of the victorious Curtis Cup team are in the field. The two unavoidable absentees are Karen Davies, who remained behind in the United States to pursue her highly successful golf scholarship at the University of Florida, and Jill Thornhill, who is taking a holiday with her growing family.

The remainder include two people with a special purpose. For Belle Robertson this has been an *annus mirabilis*, since apart from the Curtis Cup she has again won the Scottish championship and comes to Blairgowrie to defend a title she won in her fiftieth year.

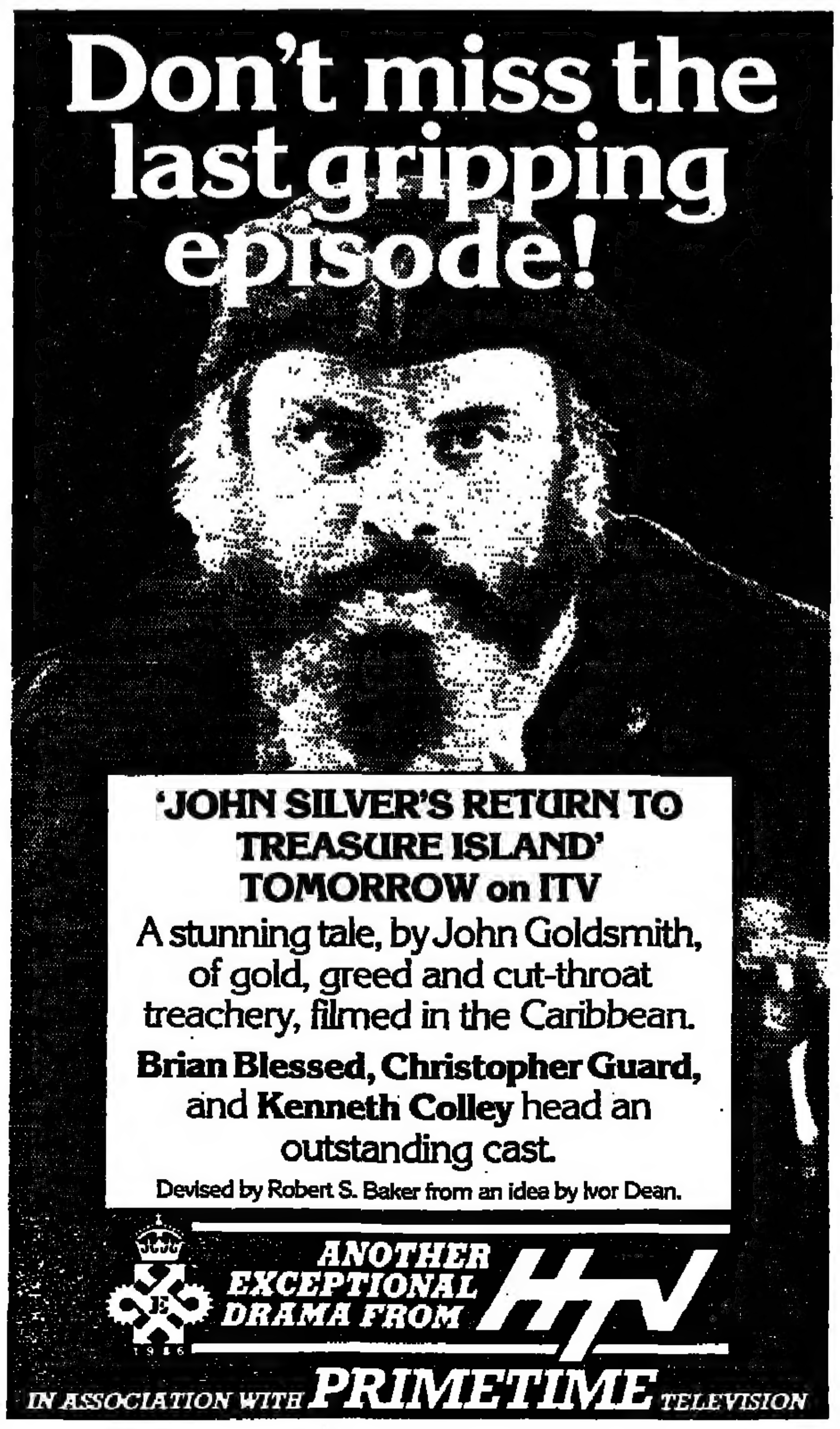
This, then, will probably be her swansong at full international level, though her victory in the Scottish championship means she will represent her country for the last time in the home internationals next month. Nothing could better put the seal on a glittering career than successfully to defend this week the title she won at Formby last year.

But standing formidably in her way, among others, is Patricia Johnson, who alone secured a maximum four points in the Curtis Cup and who alone, among the team, got to the last eight of the United States amateur championship. She has for some time seemed a player of exceptional potential and she has returned from the United States with that potential fully realized.

Her special incentive at Blairgowrie is that she has this last chance this season to win a championship at home. Her two English titles have vanished, the matchplay because of the inspired golf of Susan Shapcott at Prince's, the strokeplay because it clashed with the Curtis Cup. The British matchplay title eluded her at West Sussex because of, again, the expertise on the day of her opponent, this time Louise Briers, of Australia.

A strokeplay tournament is ideal for this Curtis Cup reunion, since the cut and thrust of matchplay would run counter to the team spirit engendered by Diane Bailey in Kansas.

The Lansdowne Course is being used, rather than the celebrated Rosemount, which is not available.



Manager with a sense of humour

Non-League football by Paul Newman

Neil Warnock, the colourful new manager of Scarborough, is determined not to let the pressures of working for the success-starved Yorkshire club spoil his sense of humour. "My chairman has so much confidence in me he's already guaranteed my job until September," he said.

Supporters at the Athletic Ground have had little to smile about in recent seasons. After a highly successful spell in the 1970s, including some famous victories in the FA Cup, Scarborough were expected to be one of the leading lights in the Alliance Premier League (now the GM-Vauxhall Conference) when they became founder members in 1979.

Yet in their seven seasons in the league Scarborough have finished only 11th, 3rd, 7th, 9th, 13th, 6th and 15th. In the same period they have reached the quarter finals of the FA Trophy only once, in 1982, and failed to go beyond the first round of the FA Cup.

Attendances have dropped from an average of more than 2,200 six years ago to 666 last season.

Warnock, however, had no hestitation in accepting the job as manager. "The set-up here is fabulous," he said. "The club own their ground and social club, they've got their own shop in the town, a full-time commercial manager and superb facilities. When I try to sign players the first thing I do is to bring them here and show them around the place. They don't need any convincing after that."

Warnock, a chiropodist ("I get used to the corny jokes if you'll pardon the expression," he said), works for Scarborough on a part-time basis. He became available earlier this year after resigning as manager of Burton Albion (Multipart League after a dispute with his board of directors over their refusal to sanction his proposed signing of a player.

Last year he took Burton to the third round of the FA Cup and he has paid £2,000 to bring one of the key players of that campaign, Stuart Mell, to Scarborough.

There are eight other newcomers, most of them with considerable Football League experience: Mike Brolly and Tommy Graham from Scunthorpe United, Barry Gallagher, Paul Kendall and Cec Podd from Halifax Town, David Kaye from Chester City, Steve Richards from Cambridge United and Andy Harrison from Kettering Town. Only two of last season's first team, Neil Sellars and Neil Thompson, remain.

"I was forced to make big changes because most of the previous team had left or wanted to go," Warnock said. "I just hope the supporters will be patient. My aim this season is to bring some stability to the club. I can't bring success overnight, but I believe I can lay the foundations for the future."

The difficulties Scarborough face in a highly competitive league have been underlined by their first two results, a 3-0 defeat at Nuneaton Borough and a goalless draw at home to Boston United.

● The Multipart League are pressing ahead with their plans to form a second division next season, despite opposition from their two "feeders", the Northern Counties East and North West Counties leagues.

● Cheltenham Town's plans to develop their ground as a multi-sports complex have been approved in principle by their local council. The scheme includes tennis courts, a hockey pitch, a running track and a gymnasium.

● John King, the new manager of Runcorn, has appointed Graham Heathcote, one of his former playing colleagues at Altrincham, as his assistant. King's former assistant at Altrincham, George Rooney, has joined Rhyl (Multipart League) in a similar capacity.

CANOEING

Barton beats defending champion

Montreal (AP) — Paddlers from Hungary, Romania, the Soviet Union, and East Germany dominated the first day of the world canoe-kayak competitions, staged for the first time in North America. The Romanians qualified in all six events they entered while East Germany and Hungary went five-for-six. Canada was one for six.

East Germany would have had a perfect day had it not been for two false starts by its K-4 women's 1,000-metres team, which disqualified the defending world champions. That enabled Canada's K-4 team to advance to the semi-finals, but they are considered a long-shot.

Another surprise was the win of Greg Barton, of the United States, over Ferenc Csipes, of Hungary, the defending champion, in the qualifying run in the men's K-1 1,000-metre event. Csipes, however, qualified for the semi-finals because he was one of the top three finishers

TODAY'S FIXTURES

CRICKET

Third Cornhill Test match

THE OVAL: England v New Zealand

Britannic Assurance County Championship

CHESTERFIELD: Derbyshire v Leicestershire

COLCHESTER: Essex v Gloucestershire

DARTFORD: Hampshire v Worcestershire

LYTHAM: Lancashire v Glamorgan

NORTHAMPTON: Northamptonshire v Nottinghamshire

TAUNTON: Somerset v Sussex

HEADINGLEY: Yorkshire v Middlesex

OTHER SPORT

GOLF: Youths championship (at Carnoustie); Scottish Open (at Haggs Castle); British women's amateur strokeplay championship (at Blairgowrie).

SHOWJUMPING: Silk Cut Derby (at Hickstead).

TENNIS: Prudential junior championship (at Eastbourne).

ROWING: World championship (at Nottingham).

SPEEDWAY: Midland riders championship final (at Oxford); National League: Birmingham v Long Eaton, Edinburgh v Hackney, Glasgow v Wimbledon; Knock-out Cup: Peterborough v Berwick.

ENTERTAINMENTS

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CINEMAS

LEICESTER SQUARE THEATRE 930 5252 (Enq)/930 7615 (24 hr Access/Visa/AmEx Bookings) TARGET (15) Sep progs Daily 2.20 5.20 8.25. Late Night Show Fri & Sat 11.45pm. All progs bookable in advance

LUMIERE CINEMA 379 3014/836 0691 SID & NANCY (18) Film at 1.30 3.50 6.18 8.45 ENDS Thurs STARTS Fri 29 Aug ROSA LUXEMBURG (PG)

MINEMA KNIGHTSBRIDGE 235 4225 "OUT OF AFRICA"(PG) Daily 3.0 6.0 9.0 MUST END THURSDAY 28th AUGUST Woody Allen Michael Caine Mia Farrow "HANNAH AND HER SISTERS"(15) OPENS FRIDAY 29th AUGUST Advance bookings now open

ODEON HAYMARKET (839 7697) Walt Disney's FANTASIA (U) Sep progs Daily 1.50 5.00 8.10 All seats bookable in advance Access and Visa telephone bookings welcome

ODEON LEICESTER SQUARE (930 6111) Info 930 4250/4259 HANNAH AND HER SISTERS (15) Sep progs Doors open Daily 2.00, 5.00, 8.00 Late Night Show Fri & Sat Doors open 11.15pm. Credit Card Hot Line (Access/Visa/AmEx) 839 1929, 24 hour service. All progs bookable in advance. There will be no 2.00 Perf on Tue Aug 26.

ODEON MARBLE ARCH (723 2011) THE KARATE KID PART II (PG) Sep Progs Doors open Daily 3.05 5.35 8.05 Reduced prices for under 16's, Student card holders, UB40 holders, O.A.P's. Matinee's only CARE BEARS MOVIE II - A NEW GENERATION (U) Doors open Mon - Sat 1.15 All seats £1.50

RENOIR 837 8402 opp Russell Sq Tube
1 POLICE (15) Film at 1.45 4.00 6.20 8.45 ENDS THURS 28TH From FRI 29TH HANNAH AND HER SISTERS (15)
2 Visconti's first masterpiece OSSESSIONE (PG) Film at 2.35 5.30 8.10 SEATS BOOKABLE LIC. BARS.

SCREEN AT THE ELECTRIC 229 3694 DESERT HEARTS (18) 3.30 5.15 7.10 9.05. Seats bookable. Plenty of free parking nearby.

SCREEN ON BAKER STREET 935 2772 1) OUT OF AFRICA (PG) 1.15 4.20 7.35 2) AFTER HOURS (15) 2.30 4.35 6.45 8.55 Lic Bar Seats Bookable

SCREEN ON ISLINGTON GREEN 226 3520. Steven Spielberg's THE COLOR PURPLE (15) 2.05 5.00 8.05 Seats bookable in advance

SCREEN ON THE HILL 435 3366/9787 DESERT HEARTS (18) 3.00 4.45 7.00 9.05 Fri/Sat 11.15 Lic Bar Seats Bookable Air Conditioned

Today's television and radio programmes

Edited by Peter Davalle and Elizabeth Larard

BBC 1

0 Ceefax AM
.50 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough and Debbie Greenwood. Weather at 6.55, 7.25, 7.55, 8.25 and 8.55; regional news, weather and traffic at 6.57, 7.27, 7.57 and 8.27; national and international news at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 7.20 and 8.20; pop music with Steve Blacknell at 7.32; and a review of the morning newspapers at 8.37. Plus, Alan Titchmarsh's gardening phone-in and Glynn Christian's weekend food shopping bargains. Summertime Special at 9.05.
.20 **Dudley Do-Right.** Cartoon series, set in the 1920s, about a reluctant Mountie. (r) **9.25 Silas.** Adventures of a young man who runs away from a circus. (r) (Ceefax)
.50 **Newsround Special Delivery**, presented by John Craven, on tour in south west England.
.55 **The Adventures of Bullwinkle and Rocky.** Part 5. (r) **10.00 Hartbeat.** A new approach to art, with Tony Hart, Margot Wilson and Liza Brown. (r) **10.25 The Adventures of Bullwinkle and Rocky.** Part 6 (r) **10.30 Play School.** (r)
1.50 **Cricket: Third Test.** *England v New Zealand*
.05 **News After Noon** with Moira Stuart, includes news headlines with subtitles **1.20** Regional news. Weather. **1.25 Mop and Smiff.** A See-Saw programme for the very young.(r)
1.40 **Cricket: Third Test.** Further coverage of England v New Zealand (continues on BBC2) **4.18** Regional News.
.30 **Wait Till Your Father Gets Home.** Alice meets a hippy guru and decides to join his farm colony. **4.50 Heidi.** A serial about an orphan girl. (r)
5.05 **The Montreux Rock Festival.** Highlights from this year's festival include performances from Genesis, Cock Robin, 5-Star, Sam Harris, Billy Ocean, OMD, The Outfield, Chris Rea and Status Quo.
6.00 **News** with Nicholas Witchell and Frances Coverdale. Weather.
6.35 **London Plus.**
7.00 **Wogan.** Terry Wogan's guests are comedian Duncan Norvelle; Nashville guitarist and story-teller Tom T. Hall; Hollywood actor/writer Steven Berkoff; and actor Christopher Timothy. Music is provided by Frankie Goes to Hollywood.
7.35 **Les and Dustin's Laughter Show.** The comedians' guests are Dame Edna Everage, Les Patterson and Dean Park.
8.10 **Dynasty.** (Ceefax)
9.00 **News** with Julia Somerville and Nicholas Witchell. Regional news and weather.
9.30 **In at the Deep End.** Chris Serle learns auctioneering, in the course of which he takes advice from 500-words-a-minute American tobacco auctioneers, among many others, and which culminates in his presiding over an auction at Sotheby's.
10.20 **Omnibus at the Proms.** Anne-Sophie Mutter is the soloist in a performance of Dvorak's Violin Concerto, with The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, conducted by Yuri Temirkanov. The concert opens with the symphonic poem 'Kikimora' by the Russian composer, Anatol Lyadov.
11.10 **Film: Countdown** (1967) starring James Caan and Joanna Moore. Drama about the American-Russian moon race, made two years before the real manned moon landing. Directed by Robert Altman.
2.50 **Weather.**

TV-AM

6.15 **Good Morning Britain** presented by Anne Diamond and Adrian Brown, with guests, Faye Dunaway and John Alderton. News with Geoff Meade 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 8.40 and 7.40; exercises at 6.55; cartoon at 7.25; pop music at 7.55; Jimmy Greaves' TV Highlights at 8.35.
8.45 **Wacaday** presented by Timmy Mallett with guest Floella Benjamin.

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9.25 **Thames news headlines** followed by **Wild, Wild World of Animals.** A look at the racoon in its natural habitat. (r) **9.50 Mika.** Adventures of a young man delivering a Lapland reindeer to the Paris Zoo **10.20 Mexican Indian Legends.** Toltec, Mayan and Aztec legends. (r) **10.35 Little House on the Prairie 11.25 Wattoo Wattoo.** Cosmic cartoon adventures.
11.30 **About Britain.** David Richardson explores the world of the monks and nuns of Turvey Abbey.
12.00 **Teetime and Claudia.** For young children **12.10 Rainbow.** Learning with puppets.
12.30 ***Is Democracy Working?*** The third in the series about politics discusses *prime ministerial power.*
1.00 **News at One** with Alastair Stewart. **1.20 Thames news.**
1.30 **Film: A Place To Go*** (1964) starring Rita Tushingham and Mike Sarne. A parable about events in the lives of a family who live in Bethnal Green, in east London. Directed by Basil Dearden.
3.00 **Take the High Road.** A drama series set in the Scottish highlands **3.25 Thames news headlines 3.30 Sons and Daughters.**
4.00 **Rainbow.** A repeat of the programme shown at 12.10. **4.15 The Moomins.** Cartoon series. (r) **4.25 Scooby-Doo.** Cartoon.
4.50 **Your Mother Wouldn't Like It.** The first in a new series of satirical comedy shows with music, produced by Junior Television Workshop, which pokes fun at everything from smoking to Rambo.
5.15 **The Parlour Game.** Celebrities challenge each other in games of the past.
5.45 **News** with John Suchet **6.00 Thames Weekend News.**
6.15 **Police 5** with Shaw Taylor.
6.30 **City Safari.** The final episode looks at the wild animals who have fled the countryside into London, their rural habitats having been destroyed by modern farming methods.
7.00 **Danny Baker on . . . Fame.** Danny Baker interviews London celebrities about fame.
7.30 **Arthur Hailey's Strong Medicine.** Part Two. Concluding yesterday's film drama about a young woman determined to succeed in her career. (Oracle).
8.30 **Tales of the Unexpected: The Boy who Talked with Animals.** Nine-year-old David is no ordinary child . . . (r)
10.00 **News at Ten** with Leonard Parkin and Pamela Armstrong.
10.30 **Spitting Image.** Satirical comedy series. Followed by **LWT News headlines.**
11.00 **Film: Sharky's Machine** (1981) Burt Reynolds thriller in which he stars as vice squad detective Tom Sharky, investigating an undercover drugs operation which results in the death of an innocent bus passenger. Burt Reynolds also directed.
1.20 **World Chess Championship.** Kasparov v Karpov.
1.35 **The Early Beatles — 1962-65.** Rare archive film. (r)
2.20 **Night Thoughts.**

Balancing the Body: The Healing Arts, BBC2, at 9.30pm

● WHAT DO THOSE OLD FILMS MEAN? (Channel 4, 9.30pm) puts rare bits of celluloid into a social context and is undoubtedly the channel's current oddball. It gives the impression of having been edited in the dark, with captions falling haphazardly on to the screen, with the narrators positioned under a thick pile of carpets, and the music director telling his vocalists to la-la or dum-di-dah the words because they have lost their bits of paper. In spite of everything, I can't stop watching the series and tonight's offering, about post-revolutionary Soviet films, is as unaccountably spellbinding as the rest, with its pioneering pleas for sexual equality ("Try to see your wife as a comrade, and a friend" and "It is not unknown even for a Communist to mistreat a woman in his service") and its depiction of an emerging new bourgeoisie allied to traditional domestic mores ("let's go and offalize our marriage and we can open a shop")

● Other highlights tonight: Anne-Sophie Mutter playing the Dvorak Violin Concerto at last night's Prom (BBC1, 10.20pm); Christopher Cook comparing Carol Reed's film version of *The Third Man* with Graham Greene's original story (Radio 4, 4.05pm); and Michael Pennington's one-man show, *Chekhov in Siberia* (Radio 3, 9.15pm), using the playwright's own words
●Recommended weekend viewing: Douglas Livingstone's play *Long Live the King* (Sunday, ITV, 9.30pm) makes some strong political and moral points about Labour's re-selection policy for sitting MPs, and gives John Stride his second opportunity to play a Labour MP role in this same time-slot (the other is in Peter Nichols's *Born in the Gardens*, Sunday, BBC1, 9.05pm which I have not seen but, given Nichols's track record, it cannot be humdrum). Best of the weekend movies: Powell and Pressburger's visually ravishing military satire *The Life and Death of Colonel Blimp* (Sunday, BBC1, 3.00pm), and John Ford's elegiac western *Cheyenne Autumn* with a dream of a cast (tomorrow, BBC2, 9.10pm).

Peter Davalle

CHOICE

BBC 2

6.55 **Open University.** Science 7.20 Weekend Outlook. Ends at 7.25.
9.00 **Ceefax.**
1.45 **Grandstand.** Steve Rider introduces **Rowing:** Norwich Union World Championships (1.50); **Racing:** Tote Bookmakers Charity Sweepstakes Handicap (2.25); British Car Auction Apprentices Guaranteed Sweepstakes Handicap (3.00); Waterford Candelabra Stakes (3.30); Taylor Woodrow Team Charity Guaranteed Sweepstakes Handicap (4.00); **Swimming:** World Championships (2.35); **Cricket: Third Test** (3.05); **International Show Jumping from Hickstead:** The Silk Cut Derby Trial (3.35). **Cricket: Third Test** (4.05)
6.10 **Film: The Family Rico** (1972) starring Ben Gazzara and Jack Carter. Gangster drama about a Mafia head whose loyalties are divided between his family and his gang. Directed by Paul Wendkos.
7.20 **Top Priority.** Cartoon.
7.30 **Ebony.** A magazine programme for Afro-Caribbeans, introduced by Vastiana Belfon, which includes a report about the black community of Harlem in New York, and looks at preparations for London's Notting Hill Carnival. Music is by Trinidadian calypso singer David Rudder.
8.00 **The Great Egg Race.** Presented by Howard Stableford. Teams from Lichfield, London and Yorkshire try to make a machine that can destroy a rival while both are balancing on a horizontal pole.
8.30 **Gardeners' World.** Geoff Hamilton, John Kelly and Margaret Waddy with advice on preparing next year's garden; plus tips on pruning fruit trees; how to ensure a good show of daffodils in spring; and guest expert Ken Muir on growing and freezing strawberries.
9.00 **My Music.** Steve Race introduces the musical quiz in which Denis Norden and Ian Wallace challenge John Amis and Frank Muir.
9.30 **The Healing Arts.** Part seven reports on nutritional cures and the use of exercise for healing. It features the late Moshe Feldenkrais, who developed an exercise system which he believed enabled the body to realize its full potential. (Ceefax)
10.20 **Harty Goes to Edinburgh.** Russell Harty's final review.
10.50 **Newsnight.** **11.35Weather.**
11.40 **Cricket: Third Test.** Richie Benaud introduces highlights of the second day's play between England and New Zealand.
12.10 **International Show Jumping.** Highlights of today's Silk Cut Derby Trial, introduced by David Vine. Ends at 12.55.

CHANNEL 4

2.30 **Channel 4 Racing from newmarket.** Brough Scott introduces coverage of the Lockwood's and Smedley's Maiden Stakes (2.45); the Harris Group Handicap (3.15); the Hillsdown Holdings Select Stakes (3.45); and the Buxted Handicap (4.15)
4.30 **Dancin' Days.** Julia and Carlos spend a happy Christmas together in the country. But there are important decisions to be made.
5.30 **Revid.** Video review show.
5.45 **Solid Soul.** This week's guests include Junior and Choir, Precious Wilson, Zuice and Don Estus.
6.15 **The Chart Show.** A comprehensive guide to the latest pop music this week features news of the network charts and the reggae charts.
7.00 **Channel 4 News** with Trevor McDonald and Nicholas Owen. Weather.
7.50 **Book Choice.** Writer and editor Kathy O'Shaughnessy discusses *The Misalliance*, a new novel by Anita Brookner.
8.00 **What the Papers Say.** A look at the week's papers with George Gale.
8.15 **Bandung File.** A new international magazine series, primarily for Asian and Afro-Caribbean audiences, returns. News reports include a roundup of events in South Africa and Pakistan; the history of the Notting Hill carnival; and a feature about steel bands.
9.00 **The Cosby Show.** American domestic comedy show.
9.30 **What Do Those Old Films Mean?** Another in the series of silent films which this week examines the changes in everyday life caused by the Soviet Revolution. (See Choice)
10.00 **The Golden Girls.** American comedy series about four middle-aged women who share a house in Miami. (Oracle)
10.30 **Budgie.** The feckless Budgie meets Inky Ballantine who involves him in a new financial lark, capital investment. Starring Adam Faith. (Oracle)
11.30 **Film: A 19-year-old's Plan.** The first showing of a Japanese film about a newspaper delivery boy's obsession and sense of alienation in contemporary Tokyo. Stars Yuji Honma. Directed by Mitsuo Yanagimachi. (English subtitles) Ends at 1.30.

Anne-Sophie Mutter: Omnibus at the Proms. BBC1, at 10.20pm

Radio 4

On long wave. Stereo on VHF
5.55 Shipping. 6.00 News Briefing; Weather. 6.10 Farming. 6.25 Prayer (s)
6.30 Today, incl 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News. 6.45 Business News. 6.55, 7.55 Weather. 7.00, 8.00 News. 7.25, 8.25 Sport. 8.35 Letters
8.43 A Night To Remember. Episode 5 of the story of the Titanic (r). 8.57 Weather; Travel.
9.00 News
9.05 Desert Island Discs. Jane Lapotaire in conversation with Michael Parkinson (r) (s)
9.45 I Should Say So (new series). With Michael Williams as Robb Wilton (1) The Poltergeist
10.00 News; International Assignment. BBC correspondents report from around the world
10.30 Morning Story: A Slip of the Pen by Sheila Hodgson. Reader: Peter Tuddenham
10.45 Daily Service (New Every Morning, page 108) (s)
11.00 News; Travel; A Glimpse of the Burning Pain. Final eposide of a dramatization of Charles Allen's book with Claire Bloom (as Charlotte Canning) and Prunella Scales (as Queen Victoria) (r) (s)
11.48 Natural Selection: Stoddart Down Under. With Professor Michael Stoddart
12.00 News; Does He Take Sugar? For disabled listeners and their families
12.27 Don't Stop Now - It's Fundation. Comedy Cabaret. 12.55 Weather 1.00 The World At One: News
1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping
2.00 News; Woman's Hour. Includes an item on the impact of radio on children.
3.00 News; The Tortoise and The Hare by Elizabeth Jenkins, dramatized by Hallam Tennyson (2) (r) (s)
4.00 News
4.05 Film of the Book. The movie version of The Third Man. With Christopher Cook
4.30 Kaleidoscope. Last night's edition repeated
5.00 PM. News magazine. 5.50 Shipping. 5.55 Weather
6.00 News; Financial Report
6.30 Waterlines. Events and sporting activities in, on or under the water. With Cliff Michelmore and Dilly Barlow
7.00 News
7.05 The Archers
7.20 Pick Of The Week. Margaret Howard's selection of the past week's programmes on BBC radio and television
8.20 Billy and Seamus. The story, in their own words, of two men — one Protestant, one Roman Catholic — who became entangled in Northern Ireland's violent paramilitary underworld.
8.45 Devon Journey. Tom Salmon travels from Buckfastleigh to Dartmoor (s)
9.30 Letter From America by Alistair Cooke
9.45 Kaleidoscope in Edinburgh. Paul Allen presents news and reviews from the Fringe
10.15 A Book At Bedtime: All the Brave Promises (10). Reader: Helen Horton 10.29 Weather
10.30 The World Tonight
11.15 The Financial World Tonight
11.30 Aspects of the Fringe. Songs and sketches from the Edinburgh Festival Fringe
12.00 News; Weather. 12.33 Shipping.
VHF (available in England and S.Wales only) as above except: 5.55-6.00am Weather; Travel; 1.55-2.00pm Listening Corner (S). 5.50-5.55 PM (continued).

Radio 3

On VHF and medium wave, except for Test Match on MW only: -
6.35 Open University. Realism and interrogative text. Until 6.55am
6.55 Weather. 7.00 News
7.05 Concert: Berwald (Memories of the Norwegian Mountains), Honegger (Concerto da camera: Los Angeles CO and soloists), Grieg (Four Lyric Pieces, Op 71: Gilels, piano), Nielsen (Little Suite for strings). 8.00 News
8.05 Concert (contd): Shostakovich (Piano Concerto No 2: Bernstein/NYPO), Britten (Phantasy Quartet, with Janet Craxton, oboe). Copland (Four Dance Episodes, Rodeo). 9.00 News
9.05 This Week's Composer: Franck. L'Organiste. Chant de la Creuse. Noel Angevin (Tournemire, organ), and String Quartet in D major (Fitzwilliam Quartet)
10.00 Langham Chamber Orchestra (under Handford). Haydn (Symphony No 85), Seiber (Besardo Suite No 2), Rawsthorne (Divertimento)
On medium wave only:
10.55 Test Match: Third Test. England v New Zealand. Second day. On medium wave until 6.30pm
On VHF: -
10.55 French Clarinet Music: John Denman (clarinet), Paul Fan (piano). Milhaud (Sonatine), Poulenc (Sonata)
11.25 Tenor and guitar. Neil Jenkins and Timothy Walker. Burgon arrangements of three folk songs, and his love songs Lullaby and For X, and works by Beethoven and Tippett (Songs for Achilles)
12.10 Pied Piper: David Munrow with music of pageantry (r)
12.30 BBC Scottish SO (under George Malcolm, piano). Part one. Mozart (Les petits riens ballet music). 1.00 News
1.05 Concert (contd): Bach (Cantata No 202), and Mozart (Piano Concerto No 23)
2.00 Two Octets: Paragon Ensemble. Stravinsky (Octet, 1923), and Iain Hamilton (Octet, 1983)
2.40 Sibelius: RPO (under Beecham). Symphony No 7
3.05 Beethoven: Peter Frankl (piano), Gyorgy Pauk (violin), Ralph Kirshbaum (cello). Violin Sonata in A, Op 30 No 1, and Cello Sonata in D, Op 102 No 2
4.00 Choral Evensong: from St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh. 4.55 News
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: with Jeremy Siepmann
6.30 Antonio Lauro: BBC recording by the Venezuelan guitarist and composer
7.00 A Kind of Carpentry: Graham Fawcett's profile of the American poet Galway Kinnell
7.30 Proms 86: BBC SO (under Serge Baudo), with BBC Singers, Cynthia Buchan (mezzo), Kim Begley (tenor) and Pierre Thau (bass). Berlioz (Romeo et Juliette)
9.15 Chekhov in Siberia: Michael Pennington speaks the writer's own words
10.30 BBC Philharmonic (under Bryden Thomson). With David Wilde (piano). Thomas Wilson (Piano Concerto), Thea Musgrave (Concerto for orchestra)
11.20 A Man, a Woman and a Double-bass: Lowri Blake (cello). Peter Buckoke (double-bass). Pleyel's Theme and Variations, David Collins's Three Fantasias, and Rossini's Duetto. 11.57 News 12.00 Closedown.

Radio 2

On medium wave. Stereo on VHF. News on the hour (except 8.0pm). Sports Desks 1.05pm, 2.02, 3.02, 4.02, 5.05, 6.02, 6.45 (mf only), 9.55. Cricket Scoreboard 7.30pm
4.00am Colin Berry 5.30 Ray Moore 7.30 Nigel Dempster 9.30 Ken Bruce 11.00 Jimmy Young incl legal problems answered by Andrew Phillips 1.05 Gerald Harper 2.05 Anneka Rice 3.30 David Hamilton 5.05 John Dunn 7.00 Hubert Gregg 7.30 Music From The Movies presented by Bryan Forbes and Nanette Newman 8.30 Cinema Scrapbook. Chris Kelly with soundtrack excerpts form 1959 9.00 The Organist Entertains (with Nigel Ogden) 10.00 Vilem Tausky conducts the Langham Orchestra 10.30 Hinge and Bracket 11.00 Round Midnight from Edinburgh 1.00am Steve Madden presents Nightride 3.00-4.00 A Little Night Music

Radio 1

On medium wave. Stereo on VHF
News on the half-hour from 6.30am until 8.30pm then 10.30 and 12.00 midnight.
5.30am Adrian John 7.00 Simon Mayo 9.30 Simon Bates 11.00 Radio 1 Roadshow with Peter Powell from Torquay 12.30pm Newsbeat (Ian Parkinson) 12.45 Gary Davies 3.00 Steve Wright 5.30 Newsbeat (Ian Parkinson) 5.45 Singled Out (Janice Long) 7.00 Andy Peebles 10.00-2.00 The Friday Rock Show With Tommy Vance, featuring Magnum. VHF Stereo RADIOS 1 & 2:- 4.00am As Radio 1. 10.00pm As Radio 1. 12.00-4.00am As Radio 2.

WORLD SERVICE

6.00 Newsdesk 6.30 Meridian 7.00 News 7.09 Twenty Four Hours 7.30 A Decade of Hits 7.45 Merchant Navy Programme 8.00 News 8.09 Reflections 8.15 Philip Jones Brass Ensemble 8.30 Music Now 9.00 News 9.09 Review of British Press 9.15 World Today 9.30 Financial News 9.40 Look Ahead 9.45 Lake Wobegon Days 10.00 News 10.01 New Waves on Shortwave 10.15 Merchant Navy Programme 11.00 News 11.09 News About Britain 11.15 Sportsworld 11.30 Meridian 12.00 Radio Newsreel 12.15 Jazz For The Asking 12.45 Sports Roundup 1.00 News 1.09 Twenty Four Hours 1.30 A Land of Song 1.45 Sportsworld 2.00 Outlook 2.45 A Perfect Spy 3.00 Radio Newsreel 3.15 Eccentric Travellers 4.00 News 4.09 Commentary 4.15 Science in Action 5.45 Sports Roundup 7.45 About Britain 8.00 News 8.09 Twenty Four Hours 8.30 Science in Action 9.00 News 9.01 Network UK 9.15 Music Now 9.45 For Whom The Bell Tolls 10.00 News 10.09 World Today 10.25 A Letter From Northern Ireland 10.30 Financial News 10.40 Reflections 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.00 News 11.09 Commentary 11.15 From The Weeklies 11.30 Liszt Piano Music 12.00 News 12.09 News About Britain 12.15 Radio Newsreel 12.30 About Britain 12.45 Recording of the Week 1.00 News 1.01 Outlook 1.30 New Waves on Shortwave 1.45 A Perfect Spy 2.00 News 2.09 Review of British Press 2.15 Network UK 2.30 Soviet Intellectual's Dilemma 2.50 Soviet Poetry 3.00 News 3.09 News About Britain 3.15 World Today 4.45 Reflections 4.50 Financial News 5.00 News 5.09 Twenty Four Hours 5.45 World Today. All times in GMT.

BBC1 WALES 4.40pm-5.35 The Montreux Rock Festival 6.35-6.00 Wales Today 6.35-7.00 Game, Set and Match 12.50am-12.55 News. SCOTLAND 6.35pm-7.00 Reporting Scotland 9.30-10.00 Beechgrove Garden 10.00-10.05 Sangs A Singing 10.05-10.20 The Collectors. NORTHERN IRELAND 4.20pm-4.45 Heidi 4.45-5.35 The Montreux Rock Festival 6.35-6.40 Today's Sport 6.40-6.00 Inside Ulster 6.35-7.00 Wait Till Your Father Gets Home 12.50am-12.55 News. ENGLAND 6.35pm-7.00 Regional news magazines.

CHANNEL As London except: 9.25am Sesame Street. 10.35 Short Story. 10.50 Say No to Strangers. 11.05-11.30 Orphans of the Wild. 1.20pm News. 1.30-3.00 Film: Whispering Smith Hits London. 3.30-4.00 Country GP. 5.15-5.45 Star Choice. 6.00 Channel Report. 6.15 Canadian Documentary. 6.25 Jane's Diary. 6.30 Horses for Courses. 7.00-7.30 That's My Boy. 11.00 Prisoner: Cell Block H. 12.00 Film: Riders of Destiny. 1.00am Closedown.

TVS As London except: 9.25am Sesame Street. 10.25 Short Story. 10.50 Say No to Strangers. 11.05-11.30 Orphans of the Wild. 1.20pm News. 1.30-3.00 Film: Whispering Smith Hits London. 3.30-4.00 Country GP. 5.15-5.45 Star Choice. 6.00 Coast to Coast. 6.30 Human Factor. 7.00-7.30 That's My Boy. 11.00 Prisoner: Cell Block H. 12.00 Film: Riders of Destiny. 1.00am Company, Closedown.

ANGLIA As London except: 9.25am Sesame Street. 10.30 Cartoon. 10.35-11.30 Poseidon Files. 1.20pm News. 1.30-3.00 Film: The Magnet". 5.15-5.45 Sporting Allstars. 6.00 About Anglia. 7.00-7.30 Albion Market. 11.00 Film: This Wonderful Crook. 1.00am Lost and Found. Closedown.

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

HTV WEST As London except: 9.25am Sesame Street. 10.25 Smurfs. 10.40 Mika. 11.05-11.30 Small Wonder. 1.20pm News. 1.30-3.00 Film: Prelude to Fame". 5.15-5.45 Dreams. 6.00 News. 7.00-7.30 Albion Market. 10.30 Your Say. 10.45 Splicing Images. 11.15 Mike Hammer. 12.15am Closedown.

HTV WALES As HTV West except: 9.25am-10.25 Sesame Street. 6.00pm-7.00 Wales at Six. 10.30-11.15 Festival Choice.

S4C Starts: 1.00pm Dancin' Days. 1.30 Everybody Here. 2.00 Stori Sbri. 2.15 Interval. 2.30 Racing. 4.30 Three Stooges. 4.50 Cadwgan. 5.05 Tanya. 5.30 Revid. 5.45 Solid Soul. 6.15 Chart Show. 7.00 NewyddionSaith. 7.30 Am y Corau. 8.05 O Badwar Ban. 8.35 Palu 'Mlaen. 8.50 Kate and Allie. 9.20 What do These Old Films Mean? 9.50 Under Capricorn. 11.45 Archie Bunker's Place. 12.15am Closedown.

ULSTER As London except: 9.25am Blockbusters. 9.50 Sesame Street. 10.50 Sea Urchins. 11.20-11.30 Cartoon. 1.20pm Lunchtime. 1.30-3.00 Film: John and Julie. 5.15-5.45 Diff'rent Strokes. 6.00 Summer Edition. 6.15 Summer Sport. 6.30 Password. 7.00-7.30 Albion Market. 10.30 Witness. 10.35 Vincent Price's Dracula. 11.30 The McCalmans. 11.55 Splicing Image. 12.25am News, Closedown.

CENTRAL As London except: 9.25 Blockbusters. 9.50 Robostory. 10.15 Rainbow Theatre. 10.40 This is Me. 11.00-11.30 Survival. 1.20 News. 1.30-3.00 Film: Anne of the Indies. 5.15-5.45 Mr Smith. 6.00 News. 6.30 Heart of the Country. 7.00-7.30 Albion Market. 11.00 Film: Crucible of Terror. 12.40am Jobfinder. 1.40 Closedown.

SCOTTISH As London except: 9.25am Beathaichean Neonach. 9.50 Incredible Hulk. 10.20 Captain Scarlet. 10.45-11.30 Guinness Book of Records. 1.20pm News. 1.30 The Baron. 2.30-3.30 Bell's Scottish Open. 6.00 News and Scotland Today. 6.15 Light in the North. 6.30 Whose Baby? 7.00-7.30 Albion Market. 11.00 Acropolis Now! 12.00 Bell's Scottish Open. 12.30am Late Call. Closedown.

BORDER As London except: 9.25am Sesame Street. 10.25 Professor Kitzel. 10.35-11.30 Nova. 1.20pm News. 1.30 Family Theatre. 2.30 Golf. 3.30-4.00 Play it Again. 5.15-5.45 Sporting All Stars. 6.00 Lookaround. 6.30 Take the High Road. 7.00-7.30 Albion Market. 11.00 Special Squad. 12.00 Golf. 12.35am Closedown.

TYNE TEES As London except: 9.25am News. 9.30 Sesame Street. 10.25-11.30 Guinness Book of Records. 1.20pm News. 1.25 Lookaround. 1.30-3.00 Film: Small Voice. 6.00 Northern Life. 6.30 Me & my Girl. 7.00 Albion Market. 11.00 TX 45. 12.00 Hart to Hart. 1.00am Countryside Christian, Closedown.

GRANADA As London except: 9.25am Granada Reports. 9.30 Little Rascals. 9.55 Spacewatch. 10.05 Mika. 10.35 Jayce and the Wheeled Warriors. 11.05 About Britain. 11.30-12.00 Connections. 1.20pm Granada Reports. 1.30 Week in View. 2.00-3.00 Hotel. 3.30-4.00 Invitation to Remember. 5.15-5.45 In Loving Memory. 6.00 Granada Reports. 6.30 Me & my Girl. 7.00-7.30 Albion Market. 11.00 V. 11.55 Film: Jaguar Lives. 1.40am Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except: 9.25am Robo Story. 9.50 Question of Faith. 10.15 Glenroe. 10.45 Folk Tales. 11.00-11.30 Gather Your Dreams. 1.20pm News. 1.25 Help Yourself. 1.30-3.00 Film: Geneviève. 5.15-5.45 Sporting Allstars. 6.00 Calendar. 6.30 Who's the Boss? 7.00-7.30 Albion Market. 11.00 Sweeney. 12.00-6.00am Music Box.

GRAMPIAN As London except: 9.25am First Thing. 9.30 Beathaichean Neonach. 9.55 Sesame Street. 10.50 Struggle Beneath the Sea. 11.15-11.30 Toytown. 1.20pm News. 1.30 Guinness Book of Records. 2.30-3.00 History of Grand Prix. 5.15-5.45 Judi Goes on Holiday. 6.00 North Tonight. 6.30 Whose Baby? 7.00-7.30 Albion Market. 11.00 T J Hooker. 12.00 Bell's Scottish Open. 12.30am News. Closedown.

TSW As London except: 9.25am Sesame Street. 10.25 Short Story. 10.50 Say No to Strangers. 11.00-11.30 Orphans of the Wild. 1.20pm News. 1.30-3.30 Film: Girls at Sea. 3.28-4.00 Young Doctors. 5.15-5.45 Candid Camera. 6.00 Today South West. 6.25 Action South West. 6.30 Sportsweek. 7.00-7.30 Albion Market. 10.32 Film: Frankenstein. The True Story, part two. 12.28am Postscript. Closedown.

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SPORT

Story-book stuff as Botham lifts England's spirits

By John Woodcock, Cricket Correspondent

THE OVAL: New Zealand have scored 142 for four against England.

It was as though Ian Botham himself had written the script when the third Test match against New Zealand, sponsored by Cornhill, began yesterday, and that in doing so he had made full use of his author's licence. After New Zealand had been sent in, he took a wicket with his first ball, another in his second over, and finished with three for 36, passing in the process Dennis Lillee's world record of 355 Test wickets.

As we all hoped it might, though there was no certainty that it would, his return to the England side dragged them out of the doldrums. Without him, it would almost certainly have been the story as before. In 47 overs Dilley, Small, Edmonds and Emburey took one wicket between them in not entirely unfavourable conditions for bowling.

There is no way now that Botham can be left behind when England leave for Australia in six weeks' time. His form yesterday was so much better, his attitude so much more sensible than when he played his last Test match, in Antigua in April, that it was hard not to think his recent suspension, far from damaging his Test career, could have saved it. One outswinger, followed by something that dipped in uncommonly late, showed him at his very best.

On a day when there was so much rain about we were lucky to get as much cricket as we did. Play began 35 minutes late, and ended 35 minutes after tea. There was a good crowd to see our great white hope. His bowling for Somerset in the last fortnight has hardly been that of a front-line member of the England attack, but there was never a cricketer like Botham for rising to the occasion of a home Test match.

Had Edmonds not dropped Gray, a straightforward chance at mid-wicket off Emburey, New Zealand would have been 115 for five a quarter of an hour before tea, and in trouble. That apart, England fielded well, and looked much better organized than at Trent Bridge a fortnight ago.

This is Botham's 85th Test match. Lillee played 70 for Australia. Hadlee, who has taken 332 wickets for New Zealand, is playing in his 66th. The others to have taken more than 300 wickets are Willis, Gibbs and Trueman. It was 22 years ago, also at the Oval, that Trueman became the first man to take 300 wickets in Test cricket. Whether Botham will be the first to 400, only time will tell. To doubt it could be the best way of ensuring that he is.

New Zealand may have had Richard Hadlee to thank for being asked to bat. Hadlee-phobia is known to strike batsmen on the first morning of a match. Having included two spinners by leaving out Willey, England's decision to field forfeited the chance of Edmonds and Emburey exploiting a wearing pitch in the fourth innings of the match. This is the seventieth Test match to be played at the Oval and only the ninth in which a captain winning the toss has put the opposition in. There was a case to be made either way yesterday, and Botham brought Gatting his reward.

In the event the pitch had some movement off the seam and the ball swung a little, anyway for Small and Dilley. Small bowled a good opening spell, Dilley a respectable if somewhat unrelaxed one. Nothing much was given away, that was the great thing, so that when, to popular acclaim, Botham replaced Small 10 overs had yielded only 17 runs.

Botham's first ball, pitched marginally short of a good length, left Edgar and was edged to second slip where Gooch caught it with some trepidation. Off the next ball Jeff Crowe survived what looked a technical chance to Emburey, low to his left at third slip. It would have been a very fine catch. Crowe was leg-before to the last ball of Botham's second over, a breakback that umpire Shepherd thought would just have clipped the leg stump.

At lunch, after 20 overs, New Zealand were 35 for two. Half an hour into the afternoon England came by the most important wicket of all when Dilley had Martin Crowe leg-before, hitting rather loosely at a ball well up to him. Wright was still soldiering on, and for the fourth wicket he and Coney added 47, Coney making 38 of them in 41 balls with no little authority.

One off drive for six by Coney off Small was a splendid stroke. Coney was beginning to tuck into Botham, now on his second spell, when the star of the day forced a mishook out of him. This was a calculated piece of bowling by Botham, who is known not to think much of Coney's hooking powers. Gooch at second slip held a lobbed catch.

Soon afterwards Edmonds put down Gray whose obduracy was such a factor in New Zealand's victory at Trent Bridge. Normally the best and safest of catchers, he seemed hardly to lay a hand on the ball, though it came to him at a nice height and pace. He may have lost it against the background of the members (women as well as men) in the pavilion.

Wright's was just the innings New Zealand needed. He played and missed a time or two, but there was no disgrace in that. Give him something on the leg stump, well pitched up, and he will turn it to advantage. He reached his fifty in the 51st over, his seventeenth for New Zealand. Half an hour later the rain closed in, though it was a long time before play was abandoned for the day.

Scoreboard

NEW ZEALAND: First Innings

J G Wright not out	63
B A Edgar c Gooch b Botham	1
J J Crowe lbw b Botham	8
M D Crowe lbw b Dilley	13
*J V Coney c Gooch b Botham	38
E J Gray not out	15
Extras (nb 4)	4
Total (4 wkts)	142

R J Hadlee, J G Bracewell, †T E Blain, D A Stirling and E J Chatfield to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-17, 2-31, 3-59, 4-106.

BOWLING (to date): Dilley 12-3-41-1; Small 12-4-25-0; Botham 11-1-36-3; Emburey 15-6-26-0; Edmonds 8-3-14-0.

ENGLAND: G A Gooch, C W J Athey, D I Gower, A J Lamb, *M W Gatting, I T Botham, J E Emburey, P H Edmonds, †P N French, G R Dilley, G C Small.

Umpires: H D Bird and D R Shepherd.

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Player	Career	Tests	Wickets	Ave
I T Botham (England)	1977-86	85	357	26.94
D K Lillee (Australia)	1970-84	70	355	23.92
R J Hadlee (New Zealand)	1972-86	66	332	22.37
R G D Willis (England)	1970-84	90	325	25.20
L R Gibbs (West Indies)	1957-76	79	309	29.09
F S Trueman (England)	1952-65	67	307	21.58
D L Underwood (England)	1966-82	86	297	25.84
Kapil Dev (India)	1978-86	77	291	28.73
B S Bedi (India)	1966-79	67	266	28.71
Imran Khan (Pakistan)	1971-86	57	264	22.19
J B Statham (England)	1950-65	70	252	24.86

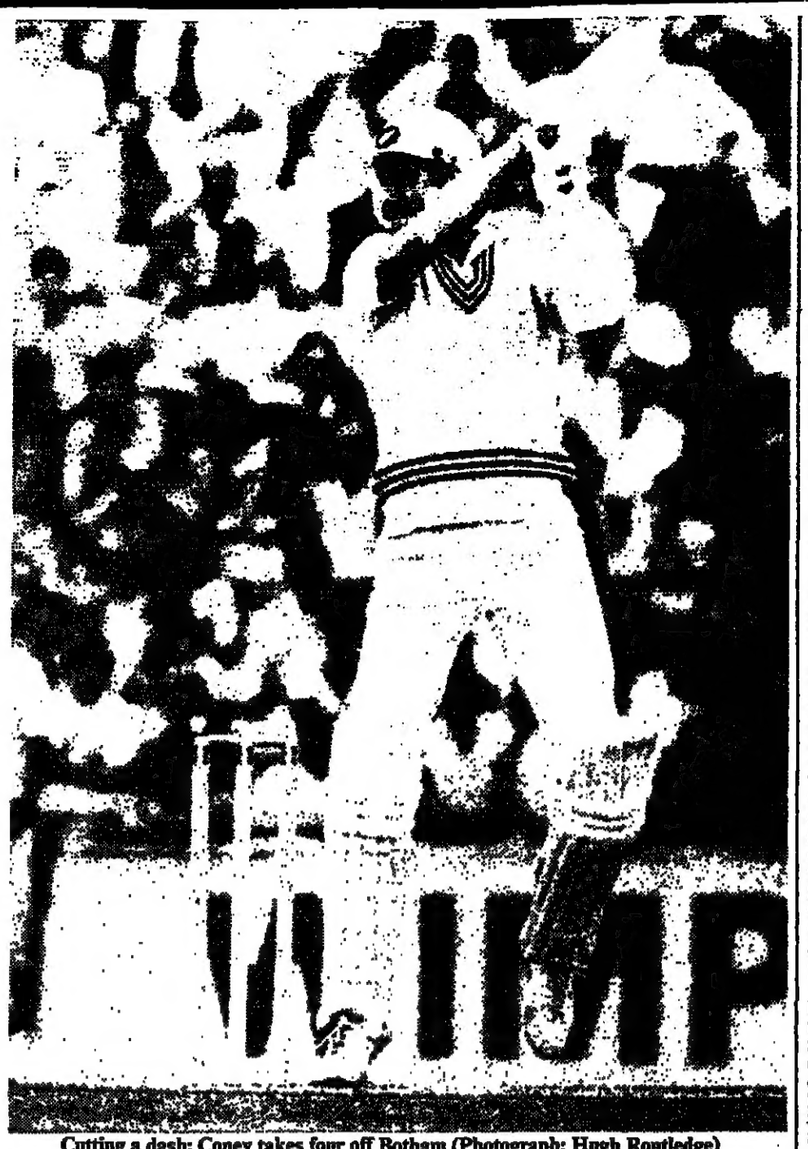
● BOTHAM'S 357 Test wickets have been distributed among opposing countries as follows: 136 v Australia (in 29 matches); 59 v India (14 matches); 61 v New Zealand (14 matches); 33 v Pakistan (7 matches); 10 v Sri Lanka (2 matches); 58 v West Indies (19 matches).

His first wicket came in his first Test match, at Trent Bridge in 1977 (G S Chappell, Australia); his 100th in his 19th Test, at Lord's in 1979 (S M Gavaskar, India); his 200th in his 41st Test, at the Oval in 1981 (R W Marsh, Australia); his 300th in his 72nd Test, at the Oval in 1984 (P J Dujon, West Indies).

(Table compiled by Simon Wilde)

Boost for York

York Rugby League Club should soon be £200,000 the richer after yesterday's announcement that their Haxby Road training ground is to be auctioned at the city's Chase Hotel on October 2. The sale was made possible last week when York City Council decided to allow a housing development on the two acre site. It should save the second division club — which has lost £180,000 in the last four years — from bankruptcy.



Cutting a dash: Coney takes four off Botham (Photograph: Hugh Routledge)

Injured Cram has doubts now on double

By Cliff Temple

Steve Cram yesterday rejected suggestions that the calf injury which has hindered his training recently would keep him out of the European championships, which begin in Stuttgart on Tuesday. "There is no question of me not going to Stuttgart and racing at least the 1,500," he said. "But I've still got to decide whether the injury will allow me to run the 800 as well."

There was an alarm when Cram's damaged calf muscle stiffened up on Wednesday, the day after his successful 1,000m race in the Dairy Crest Games at Birmingham. "It had been fine immediately after the race, but on Wednesday it was stiff again and so I didn't train at all as a precaution."

David Sharpe, his training partner, the nominated reserve for the 800m, was put on standby and may still travel out to Stuttgart with Cram and the rest of the British team on Saturday, while Cram intends to train hard for several days now to try to get an indication of the seriousness of the problem.

The task facing Cram is not helped by the competition timetable, which involves him running five races, with four of them on the first four days of the championships, as follows: August 26, 20.40hrs 800m heat; August 27, 18.55, 800m semi-final; August 28, 19.00, 800m final; August 29, 18.40, 1500m heat; August 31, 16.50, 1500m final.

"What I'm most concerned about is the possibility that if I try to contest both events, by the final afternoon I may not be able to run at all," he said. "I'd rather win the 1,500 than the 800, and I'd rather come away winning one rather than coming away with nothing at all.

"But it's just impossible to tell how it will stand up to the races until I try. I remember during the Commonwealth Games in Edinburgh, which I went into really fit, that by the end of a week of heats and finals I was suffering all sorts of aches and pains."

Another setback for Cram is that Norman Anderson, his regular physiotherapist who has helped him through similar problems and was with him in Edinburgh, is currently away on holiday and will not be in Stuttgart either. "Of course, I'm still getting good treatment, but Norman knows me so well. Ironically, when he planned his holiday we had the understanding that if I was still needing serious treatment a week before a major championship, then I probably wouldn't be going anyway."

With Sebastian Coe having completed his own preparation for Stuttgart with a win over 1,500m in 3min 35.09sec in Berne on Wednesday night, which was probably not as quick as he would have liked following the virus infection which kept him out of the Commonwealth Games, the long awaited 1986 showdowns between Coe and Cram seem still further blighted by medical problems.

But to focus attention solely on these two great runners as the best in the 800/1,500 fields in Stuttgart is to risk falling into a regular European championship trap, where historically the little known but rapidly improving rival has been perfectly capable of snatching the gold medal.

After Olaf Beyer, of East Germany, in 1978 and Hans-Peter Ferner, of West Germany in 1982, both untipped 800m champions, both Coe and Cram will be anxiously watching men like Peter Braun, of West Germany, who has run 1min 44.03 sec this year. The medical problems are perhaps not the only ones.

GOLF

Persistence is rewarded as Nobilo shows true colours

By Mitchell Platts

Frank Nobilo's second attempt on the PGA European Team Tour has been marginally more rewarding than his first. The New Zealander discovered that precocity was an insufficient ingredient for immediate success when, four years ago, he hastily departed these shores following four tremulous weeks. "I had won on the Australian Tour and I felt I was ready to play anywhere," said Nobilo. "The experience knocked me for six and I went home with my tail between my legs."

Nobilo returned for this season but he has for the most part competed in the shadow of his compatriate, Greg Turner, who won the Scandinavian Open earlier this month. All that changed, however, on the Haggs Castle course in Glasgow yesterday when Nobilo compiled a first round of 65, six under par, in the Bell's Scottish Open.

Nobilo, aged 26, is now a more mature golfer. He has learned the importance of being patient. As a qualifier from the PGA European Team Tour school last November, he often has to wait for an 11th hour call for a place in the tournaments. In fact, as he has no chance of playing in any one of the next three tournaments, Nobilo will return to his Auckland home on Monday.

Even so, he was surprised to have scored such a low score. What galvanized Nobilo's round was an inspired spell with his putter. Out in 33, with the assistance of an eagle three at the fourth, where he holed from 30ft, Nobilo proceeded to coax home putts ranging from 6 to 35ft for four birdies in succession from the 12th.

"I decided it was time to return here because unless you compete against the best players, you might as well give up," said Nobilo. "I played Rugby League as a youngster, then plumped for golf rather than tennis. I'm glad I did and as I believe that the European Tour is producing better young players than the American Tour, then I'm sure that this is the place to be."

Nobilo's expenses this summer have taken care of the £7,493 he has so far won. But the experience has been invaluable and he could confirm his place in the New Zealand team for the Dunhill Cup next month by continuing in the form he showed yesterday.

Roger Chapman, the former Walker Cup player, showed signs of returning to form when he gathered six birdies in a 66, but Sandy Lyle once again struggled after a good start. Lyle had three birdies in succession from the second and he needed two more at the 16th and 17th to complete a 70 following an indifferent spell halfway through his round. He relied heavily on his putter, holing nine single putts in all, and said: "I was a little despondent with the way I played in the middle of the round and the score was a fair result."

LEADING SCORES (GB unless stated): 65: F Nobilo (NZ). 66: R Chapman. 67: B Waites, D Cooper. 68: J Heggarty, H Baiocchi (SA), P Walton (Ire), N Ratcliffe (Aus). 69: W Malley (US), G Brand Jun, D Feherty, R Stewart (Can), A Sowa (Arg), C Moody, O Moore (Aus), R Lee, G Marsh (Aus), C Mason. 70: P Carrigill, P Carsbo (Swe), S Lyle, J Bland (SA). 71: P Curry, S Luna (Sp), P Harrison, J Anderson (Can), L Stephen (Aus), D Hulsh, M McLean, R Drummon, N Crosby (US), S Stephen.

CYCLING

Coors rivals fail to jettison Hinault

From John Wilcockson, Estes Park, Colorado

Moreno Argentin, of Italy, showed just why he is a potential world champion when he won the rain-affected 12th stage of the Coors international classic on Wednesday. The stone-faced Venetian broke clear eight miles and five laps from the end of the hilly 47-mile race and finished 52sec ahead of a small group that contained Bernard Hinault, the race leader, and three other world-class riders: Phil Anderson, of Australia, and Greg LeMond and Andrew Hampsten, the Americans.

The biggest victim of this unexpectedly difficult stage was Jeff Pierce, the American, who was lying second overnight. He lost more than two minutes to the other top men and dropped three places on overall time, while Anderson moved up to second place.

Hinault had been in trouble earlier in the race. He was dropped with Pierce after a fierce attack spearheaded by Anderson, LeMond and Raúl Alcala, the young Mexican. The Frenchman needed three laps to close a 24sec gap, but Pierce could not quite make up the deficit and was almost lapped by Argentin before the finish.

Bruno Cornillet and Dag-Otto Lauritzen, two previous race leaders, finished more than five minutes behind on this dramatic stage in which the 10th placed Valerio Piva, a team colleague of Argentin's, crashed heavily and was taken to hospital.

Men: Stage 12: 47-mile circuit race: 1, M Argentin (It), 1hr 50min 13sec; 2, T De Rooy (Neth), at 30sec; 3, A Van der Poel (Neth), 35; 4, S Bauer (Can), same time; 5, D Phinney (US), 41; 6 P Ugrumov (USSR), 52. Overall positions: 1 B Hinault (Fr), 30hr 18min 3sec; 2, P Anderson (Aus), at 2min 37sec; 3, G LeMond (US), 2:47; 4, A Hampsten (US), 3:42; 5, J Pierce (US).

Women: Stage 8: 27-mile circuit race: 1, J Thompson (US), 1hr 10min 21sec; 2, J Longo (Fr), at 29sec; 3, U Enzenauer (WG), 1min 16sec; 4, J Parks (US), 1:25; 5, E Hepple (Aus), same time. Overall positions: 1, Longo 9hr 19min 16sec; 2, Thompson, at 1min 16sec; 3, S Ehlers (US), 4:29; 4, M Canins (It), 5:16; 5, M Harris (NZ), 6:43; 6, M Berglund (Swe), 7:43. British placings: 17, C Greenwood, 13:32; 33, L Brambani, 25:53; 42, S Thompson, 52:21; 51, M Blower, 1:5:15.

● Wim Arras, of Belgium, won a mass sprint to take the second stage of the Tour of The Netherlands yesterday, but Eric Vanderaerden increased his hold on the leader's yellow jersey to 12 seconds by winning sprint bonuses. The first 85 riders to Schagen on this 238km stage were all given the same time as Arras, who is 22 and in his first season as a professional, snatched the verdict with a powerful burst to clock 6hr 15min 32sec. Vanderaerden, another Belgian, finished seventh and, thanks to time bonus points, stretched his lead over Gert Jakobs, of Holland, while Jelle Nijdam, another Dutchman, is third overall with Arras sixth, 23 seconds behind.

SCHAGEN: Tour of the Netherlands: Second stage (238 km, 148 miles, Belgian unless stated): 1, W Arras 6hr 15min 32sec; 2, J Bogaert; 3, F van der Vyver, 4, M Hermans (Neth); 5, F Verleyen; 6, M Maertens; 7, E Vanderaerden; 8, E Planckaert; 9, L de Decker; 10, A Wijnands (Neth). Leading standings after two stages: 1, Vanderaerden 12:39.41; 2, G Jakobs (Neth) 0.12 behind; 3, J Nijdam (Neth); 4, M Somers 0.20; 5, B Oosterbosch 0.21; 6, Arras 0.23; 7, T Poels (Neth); 8, A Peiper (Aus); 9, P Stevenhaagen (Neth) 0.25; 10, J Bogers (Neth) 0.26. Other placing: 90, P Kimmage (Ire) 2min 10sec behind.

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RACING

French win big sprint

Last Tycoon strengthened his claims to be considered the fastest horse in Europe by winning the William Hill Sprint Championship for France at York yesterday.

Steve Cauthen won four of the six supporting races on Presidium, Bali Magic, Digger's Rest and Startino.

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FOOTBALL

Thanks a million — Watson

Everton completed the £1 million signing yesterday of Dave Watson, Norwich City's England centre half. Manager Howard Kendall finally got his man at the end of a fortnight of on-off negotiations when Watson put pen to paper after further talks at Villa Park, the home of Aston Villa.

Everton immediately rushed the registration forms for their record deal to League headquarters at Lytham St Annes so that Watson can play at home to Nottingham Forest when the new season starts tomorrow.

● Scotland can look forward to the likelihood of an exciting Skol Cup quarter final clash between holders Aberdeen and premier league champions Celtic. That is the most likely outcome following the draw for the third and fourth rounds of the Skol Cup made in Glasgow yesterday.

DRAW: Third round: Dundee v Montrose, Ayr v Dundee United, Celtic v Dumbarton, Hamilton v Hibs, Motherwell v Clydebank, Forfar v St Mirren, Aberdeen v Clyde, East Fife v Rangers. Ties to be played Wednesday, August 27.
Fourth round: East Fife or Rangers v Dundee or Montrose, Motherwell or Clydebank v Forfar or St Mirren, Aberdeen or Clyde v Celtic or Dumbarton, Hamilton or Hibs v Ayr or Dundee United. Ties to be played on Wednesday, September 3.

SPORT IN BRIEF

Tyson gets his bout

Mike Tyson will challenge Trevor Berbick for the World Boxing Council heavyweight championship if he beats Alfonzo Ratliff over 10 rounds on September 6 in Las Vegas, Nevada. The challenge would probably be held in November, according to Bob Greenway, sports vice-president of HBO, who would televise the match as part of their series of heavyweight title bouts designed to crown a single champion next year.

Tyson, only 20 years old, has moved up to the WBA No 1 ranking in just 18 months, during which period he had 26 contests, and won them all, 24 by knockout.

Critical blow

Wolfgang Rost, a West German television technician, is in a critical condition after being hit on the head by a discus during an athletics meeting in East Berlin. Rost, who was struck while women discus competitors were warming up, is believed to have a fractured skull.

Clough: speaking out

Clough threat

Brian Clough, the Nottingham Forest manager, has threatened to resign at the end of the season if a team sponsor cannot be found. "It is acutely embarrassing that we are one of the few first division clubs who do not have a sponsor and I can't for the life of me think why. I don't care if the money comes from the Flat Earth Society. I'll even take a donation from No 10."

Cole drops out

Billy Cole, the shot putter, has had to withdraw from the British team for next week's European athletic championships in Stuttgart because he has mumps.

Deal agreed

Neil Redfearn, the Lincoln City midfield player, has signed for Doncaster Rovers, who paid the full £17,500 fee set by a transfer tribunal. Lincoln are to appeal to the FA that Doncaster reimburse them Redfearn's wages since the tribunal sat on July 14.

Fulham out

Fulham have officially withdrawn from the Rugby League second division. Doncaster, Carlisle and Workington, who were not due to play Fulham, will play 28 games and the other 14 clubs 26 games, plus two points for each scheduled game with Fulham.

Langer top

Bernhard Langer has replaced Severiano Ballesteros at the head of the latest Nissan world moneywinners list for PGA European tour members. The leading six in the final rankings will qualify for the Nissan Cup in November.

LEADING MONEYWINNERS: 1, B Langer, £312,498; 2, S Ballesteros, £301,129; 3, A Lyle, £141,400; 4, H Clark, £103,333; 5, N Faldo, £96,292; 6, G Brand, £88,905; 7, I Woosnam, £83,983; 8, R Rafferty, £75,533; 9, G Brand jun, £71,970; 10, O Sellberg, £71,285.

SHOW JUMPING

Derby target for Whitakers

By Jenny MacArthur

Two of Hickstead's most famous protagonists, John Whitaker with Ryan's Son and Paul Schockemöhler, from West Germany withDeister, descend on the Douglas Bunn Sussex ground this weekend for the Silk Cut Derby — the richest and most spectacular event in the sport in Britain. This weekend marks the 25th anniversary of the Jumping Derby — and the 15th anniversary of Harvey Smith's V-sign — made after winning on Mattie Brown. Smith, the winner of the Millstreet Derby in Ireland last weekend and the Swedish Jumping Derby in July, competes this weekend on Sanyo Shining Example.

The money — £60,000 for the Derby of which £20,000 goes to the winner — is not the only lure for this year's impressive field which includes Michael Whitaker, Nick Skelton and David Broome. The course, including the 10ft 6in drop off the Derby Bank and the notorious Devil's Dyke, is one of the most challenging in the world. There have been only 22 clear rounds in its history, the last being Whitaker's winning round with Ryan's Son in 1983. The additional £5,000 which the sponsors have offered since 1984 for anyone completing a double clear remains unclaimed.

Whitaker's chances of repeating his 1983 feat look good. Ryan's Son's programme for the year has revolved round the Derby and Whitaker has been careful not to over work the 18-year old horse, who was runner-up last year. "I just take him to the shows he likes," he said yesterday — such as Dublin a fortnight ago where the old horse appeared to be jumping better than ever. Two clear rounds in the Nations Cup were followed, the next day, by sixth place in the Grand Prix over a course which Whitaker rated second only to Aachen in size.

Schockemöhler, who won the Derby last year on Lorenzo, a horse he has now sold, has a record to match Ryan's Son with Deister. They won in 1982, were second equal in 1983, and fourth for the last two years, while also adding three successive European titles.

The rider who the two favourites will need to watch is Michael Whitaker, John's younger brother. Depending on his performance in today's Derby Trial — from which the top 30 qualify for Sunday's Derby — Michael could well have two Derby entries both with a good chance of winning.

Owen Gregory, the winner in 1980, now aged 17, knows the Derby course inside out and, like Ryan's Son has been groomed specially for this competition. But Michael's second ride, Warren Point could well be the one to provide him with his second win. Warren Point won the Derby Trial last year and was third in the Derby in his first attempt, despite taking an instant dislike to the Derby Bank and having to be sympathetically coaxed down by his rider.

The Bank holds no fears for the Irish who are particularly well represented this year. Their entry includes Eddie Macken, and John Ledingham, the former winners, as well as Captain Gerry Mullins with Rockbarton fresh from their win in the Dublin Grand Prix.